



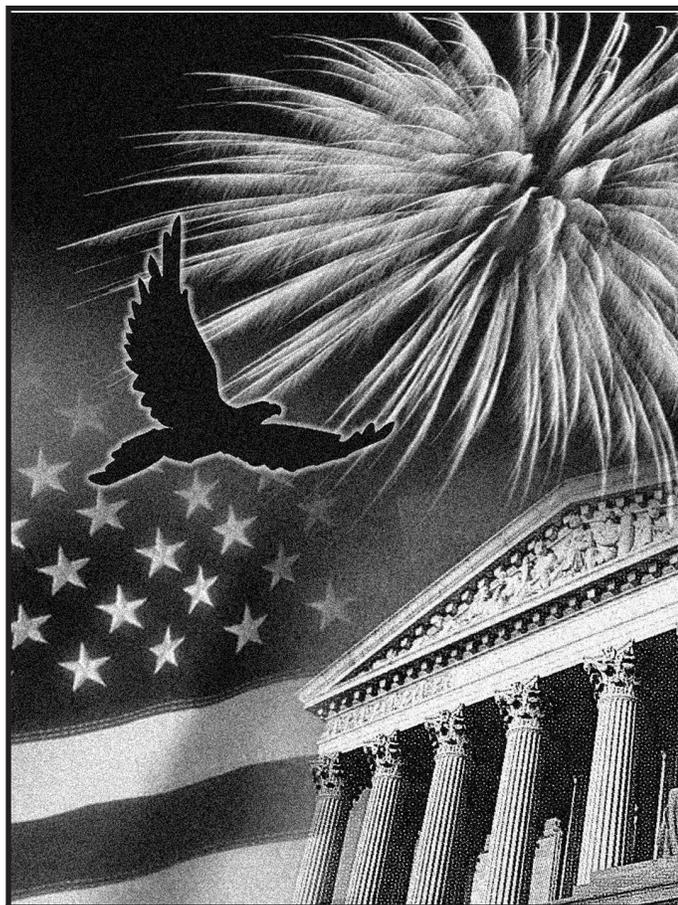
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What is the EIC?

The earned income credit (EIC) is a tax credit for certain people who work and have earned income under

\$53,267. A tax credit usually means more money in your pocket. It reduces the amount of tax you owe. The EIC may also give you a refund.

Can I Claim the EIC?

To claim the EIC, you must meet certain rules. These rules are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. **Earned Income Credit in a Nutshell**

First, you must meet all the rules in this column.		Second, you must meet all the rules in <i>one</i> of these columns, whichever applies.		Third, you must meet the rule in this column.
Chapter 1. Rules for Everyone		Chapter 2. Rules If You Have a Qualifying Child	Chapter 3. Rules If You Do Not Have a Qualifying Child	Chapter 4. Figuring and Claiming the EIC
<p>1. Your adjusted gross income (AGI) must be less than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$47,747 (\$53,267 for married filing jointly) if you have three or more qualifying children, • \$44,454 (\$49,974 for married filing jointly) if you have two qualifying children, • \$39,131 (\$44,651 for married filing jointly) if you have one qualifying child, or • \$14,820 (\$20,330 for married filing jointly) if you do not have a qualifying child. 	<p>2. You must have a valid social security number by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions).</p> <p>3. Your filing status cannot be Married filing separately.</p> <p>4. You must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien all year.</p> <p>5. You cannot file Form 2555 or Form 2555-EZ (relating to foreign earned income).</p> <p>6. Your investment income must be \$3,400 or less.</p> <p>7. You must have earned income.</p>	<p>8. Your child must meet the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests.</p> <p>9. Your qualifying child cannot be used by more than one person to claim the EIC.</p> <p>10. You cannot be a qualifying child of another person.</p>	<p>11. You must be at least age 25 but under age 65.</p> <p>12. You cannot be the dependent of another person.</p> <p>13. You cannot be a qualifying child of another person.</p> <p>14. You must have lived in the United States more than half of the year.</p>	<p>15. Your earned income must be less than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$47,747 (\$53,267 for married filing jointly) if you have three or more qualifying children, • \$44,454 (\$49,974 for married filing jointly) if you have two qualifying children, • \$39,131 (\$44,651 for married filing jointly) if you have one qualifying child, or • \$14,820 (\$20,330 for married filing jointly) if you do not have a qualifying child.

Do I Need This Publication?

Certain people who file Form 1040 must use Worksheet 1 in this publication, instead of Step 2 in their Form 1040 instructions, when they are checking whether they can take the EIC. You are one of those people if any of the following statements are true for 2015.

- You are filing Schedule E (Form 1040).
- You are reporting income from the rental of personal property not used in a trade or business.

- You are reporting income on Form 1040, line 21, from Form 8814 (relating to election to report child's interest and dividends).
- You have income or loss from a passive activity.
- You are reporting an amount on Form 1040, line 13, that includes an amount from Form 4797.

If none of the statements above apply to you, your tax form instructions may have all the information you need to find out if you can claim the EIC and to figure your EIC. You may not need this publication. But you can read it to find out whether you can take the EIC and to learn more about the EIC.

Do I Have To Have A Child To Qualify For The EIC?

No, you can qualify for the EIC without a qualifying child if you are at least age 25 but under age 65 and your earned income is less than \$14,820 (\$20,330 if married filing jointly). See chapter 3.

How Do I Figure the Amount of EIC?

If you can claim the EIC, you can either have the IRS figure your credit, or you can figure it yourself. To figure it yourself, you can complete a worksheet in the instructions for the form you file. To find out how to have the IRS figure it for you, see chapter 4.

How Can I Quickly Locate Specific Information?

You can use the index to look up specific information. In most cases, index entries will point you to headings, tables, or a worksheet.

Is There Help Online?

Yes. You can use the EITC Assistant at www.irs.gov/eitc to find out if you may be eligible for the credit. The EITC Assistant is available in English and Spanish.

What's New for 2015

Valid SSN required by due date of return. If you didn't have a social security number (SSN) by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions), you can't claim the EIC on either your original or an amended 2015 return, even if you later get an SSN. Also, if a child didn't have an SSN by the due date of your return (including extensions), you can't count that child as a qualifying child in figuring the EIC on either your original or an amended 2015 return, even if that child later gets an SSN.

Earned income amount is more. The maximum amount of income you can earn and still get the credit has increased. You may be able to take the credit if:

- You have three or more qualifying children and you earned less than \$47,747 (\$53,267 if married filing jointly),
- You have two qualifying children and you earned less than \$44,454 (\$49,974 if married filing jointly),
- You have one qualifying child and you earned less than \$39,131 (\$44,651 if married filing jointly), or

- You don't have a qualifying child and you earned less than \$14,820 (\$20,330 if married filing jointly).

Your adjusted gross income also must be less than the amount in the above list that applies to you. For details, see Rules 1 and 15.

Investment income amount is more. The maximum amount of investment income you can have and still get the credit has increased to \$3,400. See [Rule 6—Your Investment Income Must Be \\$3,400 or Less](#).

Reminders

Increased EIC on certain joint returns. A married person filing a joint return may get more EIC than someone with the same income but a different filing status. As a result, the EIC table has different columns for married persons filing jointly than for everyone else. When you look up your EIC in the EIC Table, be sure to use the correct column for your filing status and the number of children you have.

Earned income credit has no effect on certain welfare benefits. Any refund you receive because of the EIC cannot be counted as income when determining whether you or anyone else is eligible for benefits or assistance, or how much you or anyone else can receive, under any federal program or under any state or local program financed in whole or in part with federal funds. These programs include the following.

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).
- Medicaid.
- Supplemental security income (SSI).
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (food stamps).
- Low-income housing.

In addition, when determining eligibility, the refund cannot be counted as a resource for at least 12 months after you receive it. Check with your local benefit coordinator to find out if your refund will affect your benefits.

Don't overlook your state credit. If you can claim the EIC on your federal income tax return, you may be able to take a similar credit on your state or local income tax return. For a list of states that offer a state EIC, go to www.irs.gov/eitc.

EIC questioned by IRS. The IRS may ask you to provide documents to prove you are entitled to claim the EIC. We will tell you what documents to send us. These may include: birth certificates, school records, etc. The process of establishing your eligibility will delay your refund.

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1.

Rules for Everyone

This chapter discusses Rules 1 through 7. You must meet all seven rules to qualify for the earned income credit. If you don't meet all seven rules, you cannot get the credit and you don't need to read the rest of the publication.

If you meet all seven rules in this chapter, then read either chapter 2 or chapter 3 (whichever applies) for more rules you must meet.

Rule 1—Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) Limits

Your adjusted gross income (AGI) must be less than:

- \$47,747 (\$53,267 for married filing jointly) if you have three or more qualifying children,
- \$44,454 (\$49,974 for married filing jointly) if you have two qualifying children,
- \$39,131 (\$44,651 for married filing jointly) if you have one qualifying child, or
- \$14,820 (\$20,330 for married filing jointly) if you don't have a qualifying child.

Adjusted gross income (AGI). AGI is the amount on line 4 of Form 1040EZ, line 22 of Form 1040A, or line 38 of Form 1040.

If your AGI is equal to or more than the applicable limit listed above, you cannot claim the EIC. You don't need to read the rest of this publication.

Example—AGI is more than limit. Your AGI is \$39,550, you are single, and you have one qualifying child. You cannot claim the EIC because your AGI isn't less than \$39,131. However, if your filing status was married filing jointly, you might be able to claim the EIC because your AGI is less than \$44,651.

Community property. If you are married, but qualify to file as head of household under special rules for married taxpayers living apart (see Rule 3), and live in a state that has community property laws, your AGI includes that portion of both your and your spouse's wages that you are required to include in gross income. This is different from the community property rules that apply under Rule 7.

Rule 2—You Must Have a Valid Social Security Number (SSN)

To claim the EIC, you (and your spouse, if filing a joint return) must have a valid SSN issued by the Social Security Administration (SSA) by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions). Any qualifying child listed on Schedule EIC also must have a valid SSN by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions). (See Rule 8 if you have a qualifying child.)

If your social security card (or your spouse's, if filing a joint return) says “Not valid for employment” and your SSN was issued so that you (or your spouse) could get a federally funded benefit, you cannot get the EIC. An example of a federally funded benefit is Medicaid. If you have a card with the legend “Not valid for employment” and your immigration status has changed so that you are now a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, ask the SSA for a new social security card without the legend.

U.S. citizen. If you were a U.S. citizen when you received your SSN, you have a valid SSN.

Valid for work only with INS authorization or DHS authorization. If your social security card reads “Valid for work only with INS authorization” or “Valid for work only with DHS authorization,” you have a valid SSN, but only if that authorization is still valid.

SSN missing or incorrect. If an SSN for you or your spouse is missing from your tax return or is incorrect, you may not get the EIC.

If an SSN for you or your spouse is missing from your return because either you or your spouse didn't have a valid SSN by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions) and you later get a valid SSN, you cannot file an amended return to claim the EIC.

Other taxpayer identification number. You cannot get the EIC if, instead of an SSN, you (or your spouse, if filing a joint return) have an individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). ITINs are issued by the Internal Revenue Service to noncitizens who cannot get an SSN.

No SSN. If you don't have a valid SSN by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions), put “No” next to line 66a (Form 1040), line 42a (Form 1040A), or line 8a (Form 1040EZ). You cannot claim the EIC on either your original or an amended 2015 return.

Getting an SSN. If you (or your spouse, if filing a joint return) don't have an SSN, you can apply for one by filing Form SS-5 with the SSA. You can get Form SS-5 online at www.socialsecurity.gov, from your local SSA office, or by calling the SSA at 1-800-772-1213.

Filing deadline approaching and still no SSN. If the filing deadline is approaching and you still don't have an SSN, you can request an automatic 6-month extension of time to file your return. You can get this extension by filing Form 4868, Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return. For more information, see the instructions for Form 4868.

Rule 3—Your Filing Status Cannot Be “Married Filing Separately”

If you are married, you usually must file a joint return to claim the EIC. Your filing status cannot be “Married filing separately.”

Spouse did not live with you. If you are married and your spouse did not live in your home at any time during the last 6 months of the year, you may be able to file as head of household, instead of married filing separately. In that case, you may be able to claim the EIC. For detailed information about filing as head of household, see Publication 501, Exemptions, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information.

Rule 4—You Must Be a U.S. Citizen or Resident Alien All Year

If you (or your spouse, if married) were a nonresident alien for any part of the year, you cannot claim the earned income credit unless your filing status is married filing jointly. You can use that filing status only if one spouse is a U.S. citizen or resident alien and you choose to treat the nonresident spouse as a U.S. resident. If you make this choice, you and your spouse are taxed on your worldwide income. If you need more information on making this choice, get Pub. 519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens. If you (or your spouse, if married) were a nonresident alien for any part of the year and your filing status isn't married filing jointly, enter “No” on the dotted line next to line 66a (Form 1040) or in the space to the left of line 42a (Form 1040A).

Rule 5—You Cannot File Form 2555 or Form 2555-EZ

You cannot claim the earned income credit if you file Form 2555, Foreign Earned Income, or Form 2555-EZ, Foreign Earned Income Exclusion. You file these forms to exclude income earned in foreign countries from your gross income, or to deduct or exclude a foreign housing amount. U.S. possessions aren't foreign countries. See Pub. 54, Tax Guide for U.S. Citizens and Resident Aliens Abroad, for more detailed information.

Rule 6—Your Investment Income Must Be \$3,400 or Less

You cannot claim the earned income credit unless your investment income is \$3,400 or less. If your investment income is more than \$3,400, you cannot claim the credit.

Form 1040EZ. If you file Form 1040EZ, your investment income is the total of the amount on line 2 and the amount of any tax-exempt interest you wrote to the right of the words “Form 1040EZ” on line 2.

Form 1040A. If you file Form 1040A, your investment income is the total of the amounts on lines 8a (taxable interest), 8b (tax-exempt interest), 9a (ordinary dividends), and 10 (capital gain distributions) on that form.

Form 1040. If you file Form 1040, use Worksheet 1 in this chapter to figure your investment income.

Worksheet 1. Investment Income If You Are Filing Form 1040

Keep for Your Records 

Use this worksheet to figure investment income for the earned income credit when you file Form 1040.

Interest and Dividends	
1. Enter any amount from Form 1040, line 8a	1. _____
2. Enter any amount from Form 1040, line 8b, plus any amount on Form 8814, line 1b	2. _____
3. Enter any amount from Form 1040, line 9a	3. _____
4. Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 21, that is from Form 8814 if you are filing that form to report your child's interest and dividend income on your return. (If your child received an Alaska Permanent Fund dividend, use Worksheet 2 in this chapter to figure the amount to enter on this line.)	4. _____
Capital Gain Net Income	
5. Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 13. If the amount on that line is a loss, enter -0-	5. _____
6. Enter any gain from Form 4797, Sales of Business Property, line 7. If the amount on that line is a loss, enter -0-. (But, if you completed lines 8 and 9 of Form 4797, enter the amount from line 9 instead.)	6. _____
7. Subtract line 6 of this worksheet from line 5 of this worksheet. (If the result is less than zero, enter -0-.)	7. _____
Royalties and Rental Income From Personal Property	
8. Enter any royalty income from Schedule E, line 23b, plus any income from the rental of personal property shown on Form 1040, line 21	8. _____
9. Enter any expenses from Schedule E, line 20, related to royalty income, plus any expenses from the rental of personal property deducted on Form 1040, line 36	9. _____
10. Subtract the amount on line 9 of this worksheet from the amount on line 8. (If the result is less than zero, enter -0-.)	10. _____
Passive Activities	
11. Enter the total of any net income from passive activities (such as income included on Schedule E, line 26, 29a (col. (g)), 34a (col. (d)), or 40; or an ordinary gain identified as "FPA" on Form 4797, line 10). (See instructions below for lines 11 and 12.)	11. _____
12. Enter the total of any losses from passive activities (such as losses included on Schedule E, line 26, 29b (col. (f)), 34b (col. (c)), or 40; or an ordinary loss identified as "PAL" on Form 4797, line 10). (See instructions below for lines 11 and 12.)	12. _____
13. Combine the amounts on lines 11 and 12 of this worksheet. (If the result is less than zero, enter -0-.)	13. _____
14. Add the amounts on lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, and 13. Enter the total. This is your investment income	14. _____
15. Is the amount on line 14 more than \$3,400 ?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. You cannot take the credit.	
<input type="checkbox"/> No. Go to <i>Step 3</i> of the Form 1040 instructions for lines 66a and 66b to find out if you can take the credit (unless you are using this publication to find out if you can take the credit; in that case, go to <i>Rule 7</i> , next).	
Instructions for lines 11 and 12. In figuring the amount to enter on lines 11 and 12, do not take into account any royalty income (or loss) included on line 26 of Schedule E or any income (or loss) included in your earned income or on line 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, or 10 of this worksheet. To find out if the income on line 26 or line 40 of Schedule E is from a passive activity, see the Schedule E instructions. If any of the rental real estate income (or loss) included on Schedule E, line 26, is not from a passive activity, print "NPA" and the amount of that income (or loss) on the dotted line next to line 26.	



Complete this worksheet only if Form 8814 includes an Alaska Permanent Fund dividend.

Note. Fill out a separate Worksheet 2 for each Form 8814.		
1.	Enter the amount from Form 8814, line 2a	1. _____
2.	Enter the amount from Form 8814, line 2b	2. _____
3.	Subtract line 2 from line 1	3. _____
4.	Enter the amount from Form 8814, line 1a	4. _____
5.	Add lines 3 and 4	5. _____
6.	Enter the amount of the child's Alaska Permanent Fund dividend	6. _____
7.	Divide line 6 by line 5. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places)	7. _____
8.	Enter the amount from Form 8814, line 12	8. _____
9.	Multiply line 7 by line 8	9. _____
10.	Subtract line 9 from line 8. Enter the result on line 4 of Worksheet 1	10. _____
<i>(If filing more than one Form 8814, enter on line 4 of Worksheet 1 the total of the amounts on line 10 of all Worksheets 2.)</i>		

Example—completing Worksheet 2. Your 10-year-old child has taxable interest income of \$400, an Alaska Permanent Fund dividend of \$1,000, and ordinary dividends of \$1,100, of which \$500 are qualified dividends. You choose to report this income on your return. You enter \$400 on line 1a of Form 8814, \$2,100 (\$1,000 + \$1,100) on line 2a, and \$500 on line 2b. After completing lines 4 through 11, you enter \$320 on line 12 of Form 8814 and line 21 of Form 1040. On Worksheet 2, you enter \$2,100 on line 1, \$500 on line 2, \$1,600 on line 3, \$400 on line 4, \$2,000 on line 5, \$1,000 on line 6, 0.500 on line 7, \$320 on line 8, \$160 on line 9, and \$160 on line 10. You then enter \$160 on line 4 of Worksheet 1.

earned income. But there is an exception for nontaxable combat pay, which you can choose to include in earned income, as explained later in this chapter.

2. Net earnings from self-employment.
3. Gross income received as a statutory employee.

Rule 7—You Must Have Earned Income

This credit is called the “earned income” credit because, to qualify, you must work and have earned income. If you are married and file a joint return, you meet this rule if at least one spouse works and has earned income. If you are an employee, earned income includes all the taxable income you get from your employer.

Wages, salaries, and tips. Wages, salaries, and tips you receive for working are reported to you on Form W-2, in box 1. You should report these on line 1 (Form 1040EZ) or line 7 (Forms 1040A and 1040).

Nontaxable combat pay election. You can elect to include your nontaxable combat pay in earned income for the earned income credit. The amount of your nontaxable combat pay should be shown on your Form W-2, in box 12, with code Q. Electing to include nontaxable combat pay in earned income may increase or decrease your EIC. For details, see [Nontaxable combat pay](#) in chapter 4.

Net earnings from self-employment. You may have net earnings from self-employment if:

- You own your own business, or
- You are a minister or member of a religious order.

Rule 15 has information that will help you figure the amount of your earned income. If you are self-employed or a statutory employee, you will figure your earned income on EIC Worksheet B in the Form 1040 instructions.

Minister's housing. The rental value of a home or a housing allowance provided to a minister as part of the minister's pay generally isn't subject to income tax but is included in net earnings from self-employment. For that reason, it is included in earned income for the EIC (except in the cases described in [Approved Form 4361 or Form 4029](#), below).

Earned Income

Earned income includes all of the following types of income.

1. Wages, salaries, tips, and other taxable employee pay. Employee pay is earned income only if it is taxable. Nontaxable employee pay, such as certain dependent care benefits and adoption benefits, isn't

Statutory employee. You are a statutory employee if you receive a Form W-2 on which the “Statutory employee” box (box 13) is checked. You report your income and expenses as a statutory employee on Schedule C or C-EZ (Form 1040).

Strike benefits. Strike benefits paid by a union to its members are earned income.

Approved Form 4361 or Form 4029

This section is for persons who have an approved:

- Form 4361, Application for Exemption From Self-Employment Tax for Use by Ministers, Members of Religious Orders and Christian Science Practitioners, or
- Form 4029, Application for Exemption From Social Security and Medicare Taxes and Waiver of Benefits.

Each approved form exempts certain income from social security taxes. Each form is discussed here in terms of what is or isn't earned income for the EIC.

Form 4361. Whether or not you have an approved Form 4361, amounts you received for performing ministerial duties as an employee count as earned income. This includes wages, salaries, tips, and other taxable employee compensation.

If you have an approved Form 4361, a nontaxable housing allowance or the nontaxable rental value of a home isn't earned income. Also, amounts you received for performing ministerial duties, but not as an employee, don't count as earned income. Examples include fees for performing marriages and honoraria for delivering speeches.

Form 4029. Whether or not you have an approved Form 4029, all wages, salaries, tips, and other taxable employee compensation count as earned income. However, amounts you received as a self-employed individual don't count as earned income. Also, in figuring earned income, don't subtract losses on Schedule C, C-EZ, or F from wages on line 7 of Form 1040.

Disability Benefits

If you retired on disability, taxable benefits you receive under your employer's disability retirement plan are considered earned income until you reach minimum retirement age. Minimum retirement age generally is the earliest age at which you could have received a pension or annuity if you were not disabled. You must report your taxable disability payments on line 7 of either Form 1040 or Form 1040A until you reach minimum retirement age.

Beginning on the day after you reach minimum retirement age, payments you receive are taxable as a pension and aren't considered earned income. Report taxable pension payments on Form 1040, lines 16a and 16b, or Form 1040A, lines 12a and 12b.

Disability insurance payments. Payments you received from a disability insurance policy that you paid the premiums for aren't earned income. It doesn't matter whether you have reached minimum retirement age. If this policy is through your employer, the amount may be shown in box 12 of your Form W-2 with code J.

Income That Is Not Earned Income

Examples of items that aren't earned income include interest and dividends, pensions and annuities, social security

and railroad retirement benefits (including disability benefits), alimony and child support, welfare benefits, workers' compensation benefits, unemployment compensation (insurance), nontaxable foster care payments, and veterans' benefits, including VA rehabilitation payments. Do not include any of these items in your earned income.

Earnings while an inmate. Amounts received for work performed while an inmate in a penal institution aren't earned income when figuring the earned income credit. This includes amounts for work performed while in a work release program or while in a halfway house.

Workfare payments. Nontaxable workfare payments aren't earned income for the EIC. These are cash payments certain people receive from a state or local agency that administers public assistance programs funded under the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program in return for certain work activities such as (1) work experience activities (including remodeling or repairing public housing) if sufficient private sector employment isn't available, or (2) community service program activities.

Community property. If you are married, but qualify to file as head of household under special rules for married taxpayers living apart (see Rule 3), and live in a state that has community property laws, your earned income for the EIC doesn't include any amount earned by your spouse that is treated as belonging to you under those laws. That amount isn't earned income for the EIC, even though you must include it in your gross income on your income tax return. Your earned income includes the entire amount you earned, even if part of it is treated as belonging to your spouse under your state's community property laws.

Nevada, Washington, and California domestic partners. If you are a registered domestic partner in Nevada, Washington, or California, the same rules apply. Your earned income for the EIC doesn't include any amount earned by your partner. Your earned income includes the entire amount you earned. For details, see Pub. 555.

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) payments. If you were receiving social security retirement benefits or social security disability benefits at the time you received any CRP payments, your CRP payments aren't earned income for the EIC.

Nontaxable military pay. Nontaxable pay for members of the Armed Forces isn't considered earned income for the EIC. Examples of nontaxable military pay are combat pay, the Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH), and the Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS). See Pub. 3, Armed Forces' Tax Guide, for more information.



Combat pay. You can elect to include your nontaxable combat pay in earned income for the EIC. See Nontaxable combat pay in chapter 4.

2.

Rules If You Have a Qualifying Child

If you have met all the rules in chapter 1, use this chapter to see if you have a qualifying child. This chapter discusses Rules 8 through 10. You must meet all three of those rules, in addition to the rules in chapters 1 and 4, to qualify for the earned income credit with a qualifying child.

You must file Form 1040 or Form 1040A to claim the EIC with a qualifying child. (You cannot file Form 1040EZ.) You also must complete Schedule EIC and attach it to your return. If you meet all the rules in chapter 1 and this chapter, read chapter 4 to find out what to do next.

No qualifying child. If you don't meet Rule 8, you don't have a qualifying child. Read chapter 3 to find out if you can get the earned income credit without a qualifying child.

Rule 8—Your Child Must Meet the Relationship, Age, Residency, and Joint Return Tests

Your child is a qualifying child if your child meets four tests. The four tests are:

1. Relationship,
2. Age,
3. Residency, and
4. Joint return.

The four tests are illustrated in Figure A. The paragraphs that follow contain more information about each test.

Relationship Test

To be your qualifying child, a child must be your:

- Son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, or a descendant of any of them (for example, your grandchild), or
- Brother, sister, half brother, half sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or a descendant of any of them (for example, your niece or nephew).

The following definitions clarify the relationship test.

Adopted child. An adopted child is always treated as your own child. The term “adopted child” includes a child who was lawfully placed with you for legal adoption.

Foster child. For the EIC, a person is your foster child if the child is placed with you by an authorized placement agency or by judgment, decree, or other order of any court of competent jurisdiction. An authorized placement agency includes:

- A state or local government agency,
- A tax-exempt organization licensed by a state, and
- An Indian tribal government or an organization authorized by an Indian tribal government to place Indian children.

Example. Debbie, who is 12 years old, was placed in your care 2 years ago by an authorized agency responsible for placing children in foster homes. Debbie is your foster child.

Age Test

Your child must be:

1. Under age 19 at the end of 2015 and younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly),
2. Under age 24 at the end of 2015, a student, and younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly), or
3. Permanently and totally disabled at any time during 2015, regardless of age.

The following examples and definitions clarify the age test.

Example 1—child not under age 19. Your son turned 19 on December 10. Unless he was permanently and totally disabled or a student, he isn't a qualifying child because, at the end of the year, he was not **under** age 19.

Example 2—child not younger than you or your spouse. Your 23-year-old brother, who is a full-time student and unmarried, lives with you and your spouse. He isn't disabled. Both you and your spouse are 21 years old, and you file a joint return. Your brother isn't your qualifying child because he isn't younger than you or your spouse.

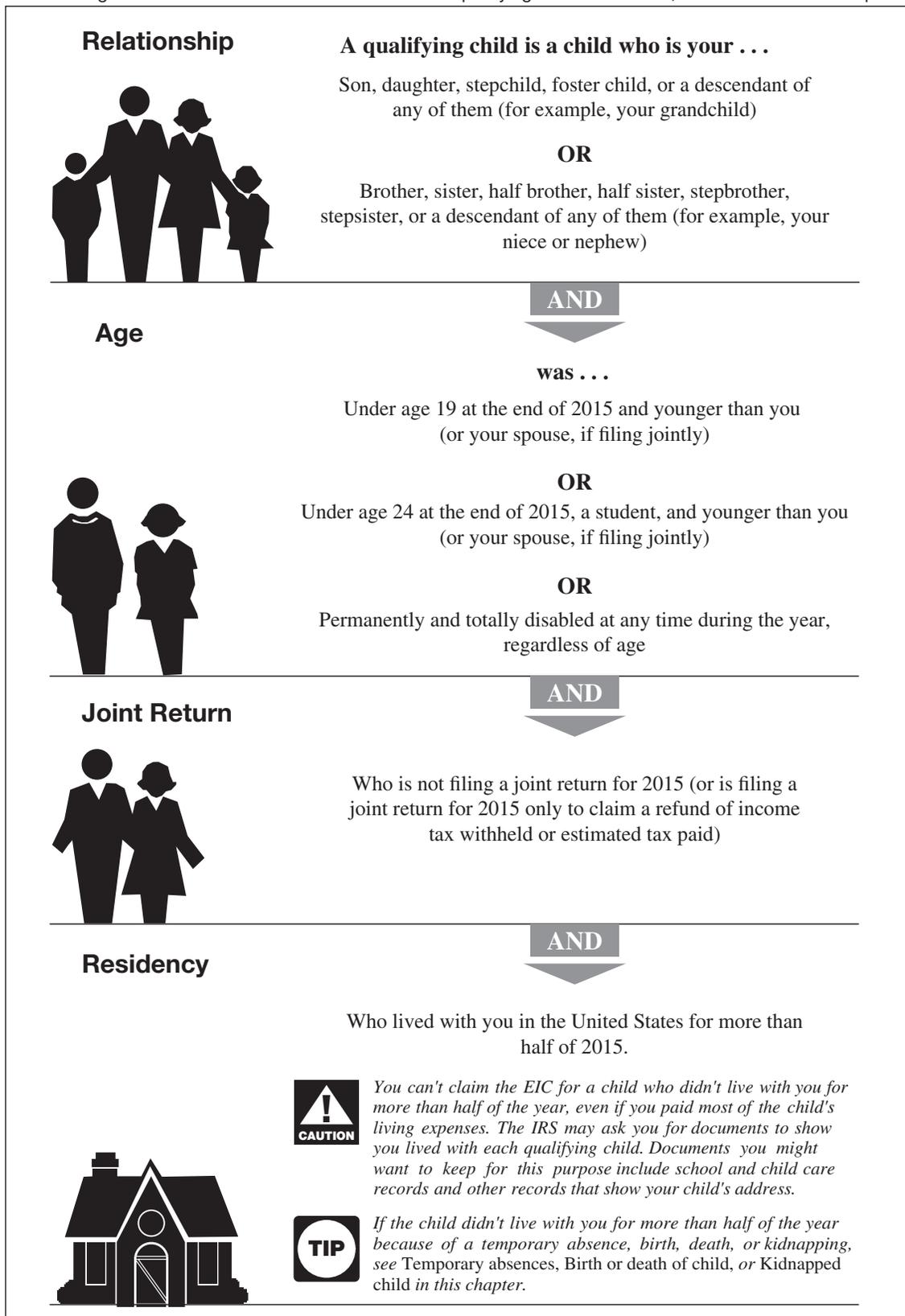
Example 3—child younger than your spouse but not younger than you. The facts are the same as in *Example 2* except that your spouse is 25 years old. Because your brother is younger than your spouse, he is your qualifying child, even though he isn't younger than you.

Student defined. To qualify as a student, your child must be, during some part of each of any 5 calendar months during the calendar year:

1. A full-time student at a school that has a regular teaching staff, course of study, and regular student body at the school, or
2. A student taking a full-time, on-farm training course given by a school described in (1), or a state, county, or local government.

Figure A. Tests for Qualifying Child

Caution: Figure A is an overview of the tests to claim a qualifying child. For details, see the rest of this chapter.



The 5 calendar months need not be consecutive.

A full-time student is a student who is enrolled for the number of hours or courses the school considers to be full-time attendance.

School defined. A school can be an elementary school, junior or senior high school, college, university, or technical, trade, or mechanical school. However, on-the-job training courses, correspondence schools, and schools offering courses only through the Internet don't count as schools for the EIC.

Vocational high school students. Students who work in co-op jobs in private industry as a part of a school's regular course of classroom and practical training are considered full-time students.

Permanently and totally disabled. Your child is permanently and totally disabled if both of the following apply.

1. He or she cannot engage in any substantial gainful activity because of a physical or mental condition.
2. A doctor determines the condition has lasted or can be expected to last continuously for at least a year or can lead to death.

Substantial gainful activity. Substantial gainful activity means performing significant duties over a reasonable period of time while working for pay or profit, or in work generally done for pay or profit. Full-time work (or part-time work done at an employer's convenience) in a competitive work situation for at least the minimum wage shows that the child can engage in substantial gainful activity.

Substantial gainful activity isn't work done to take care of yourself or your home. It isn't unpaid work on hobbies, institutional therapy or training, school attendance, clubs, social programs, and similar activities. However, doing this kind of work may show that the child is able to engage in substantial gainful activity.

The fact that the child has not worked for some time doesn't, by itself, prove the child cannot engage in substantial gainful activity.

For examples of substantial gainful activity, see Pub. 524.

Residency Test

Your child must have lived with you in the United States for more than half of 2015.



You can't claim the EIC for a child who didn't live with you for more than half of the year, even if you paid most of the child's living expenses. The IRS may ask you for documents to show you lived with each qualifying child. Documents you might want to keep for this purpose include school and child care records and other records that show your child's address.

The following paragraphs clarify the residency test.

United States. This means the 50 states and the District of Columbia. It doesn't include Puerto Rico or U.S. possessions such as Guam.

Homeless shelter. Your home can be any location where you regularly live. You don't need a traditional home. For example, if your child lived with you for more than half the year in one or more homeless shelters, your child meets the residency test.

Military personnel stationed outside the United States. U.S. military personnel stationed outside the United States on extended active duty are considered to live in the United States during that duty period for purposes of the EIC.

Extended active duty. Extended active duty means you are called or ordered to duty for an indefinite period or for a period of more than 90 days. Once you begin serving your extended active duty, you are still considered to have been on extended active duty even if you don't serve more than 90 days.

Birth or death of child. A child who was born or died in 2015 is treated as having lived with you for more than half of 2015 if your home was the child's home for more than half the time he or she was alive in 2015.

Temporary absences. Count time that you or your child is away from home on a temporary absence due to a special circumstance as time the child lived with you. Examples of a special circumstance include illness, school attendance, business, vacation, military service, and detention in a juvenile facility.

Kidnapped child. A kidnapped child is treated as living with you for more than half of the year if the child lived with you for more than half the part of the year before the date of the kidnapping. The child must be presumed by law enforcement authorities to have been kidnapped by someone who isn't a member of your family or the child's family. This treatment applies for all years until the child is returned. However, the last year this treatment can apply is the earlier of:

1. The year there is a determination that the child is dead, or
2. The year the child would have reached age 18.

If your qualifying child has been kidnapped and meets these requirements, enter "KC," instead of a number, on line 6 of Schedule EIC.

Joint Return Test

To meet this test, the child cannot file a joint return for the year.

Exception. An exception to the joint return test applies if your child and his or her spouse file a joint return only to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid.

Example 1—child files joint return. You supported your 18-year-old daughter, and she lived with you all year while her husband was in the Armed Forces. He earned \$25,000 for the year. The couple files a joint return. Because your daughter and her husband file a joint return, she isn't your qualifying child.

Example 2—child files joint return to get refund of tax withheld. Your 18-year-old son and his 17-year-old wife had \$800 of wages from part-time jobs and no other income. They don't have a child. Neither is required to file a tax return. Taxes were taken out of their pay, so they file a joint return only to get a refund of the withheld taxes. The exception to the joint return test applies, so your son may be your qualifying child if all the other tests are met.

Example 3—child files joint return to claim American opportunity credit. The facts are the same as in *Example 2* except no taxes were taken out of your son's pay. He and his wife aren't required to file a tax return, but they file a joint return to claim an American opportunity credit of \$124 and get a refund of that amount. Because claiming the American opportunity credit is their reason for filing the return, they aren't filing it only to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid. The exception to the joint return test doesn't apply, so your son isn't your qualifying child.

Married child. Even if your child doesn't file a joint return, if your child was married at the end of the year, he or she cannot be your qualifying child unless:

1. You can claim an exemption for the child, or
2. The reason you cannot claim an exemption for the child is that you let the child's other parent claim the exemption under the [Special rule for divorced or separated parents \(or parents who live apart\)](#) described later.



Social security number. *Your qualifying child must have a valid social security number (SSN) by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions), unless the child was born and died in 2015 and you attach to your return a copy of the child's birth certificate, death certificate, or hospital records showing a live birth. You cannot claim the EIC on the basis of a qualifying child if:*

1. *The qualifying child's SSN is missing from your tax return or is incorrect,*
2. *The qualifying child's social security card says "Not valid for employment" and was issued for use in getting a federally funded benefit, or*
3. *Instead of an SSN, the qualifying child has:*
 - a. *An individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), which is issued to a noncitizen who cannot get an SSN, or*
 - b. *An adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), issued to adopting parents who cannot get*

an SSN for the child being adopted until the adoption is final.

If you have more than one qualifying child and only one has a valid SSN, you can use only that child to claim the EIC. For more information about SSNs, see Rule 2.

Rule 9—Your Qualifying Child Cannot Be Used by More Than One Person To Claim the EIC

Sometimes a child meets the tests to be a qualifying child of more than one person. However, only one of these persons can actually treat the child as a qualifying child. Only that person can use the child as a qualifying child to take all of the following tax benefits (provided the person is eligible for each benefit).

1. The exemption for the child.
2. The child tax credit.
3. Head of household filing status.
4. The credit for child and dependent care expenses.
5. The exclusion for dependent care benefits.
6. The EIC.

The other person cannot take any of these benefits based on this qualifying child. In other words, you and the other person cannot agree to divide these tax benefits between you. The other person cannot take any of these tax benefits unless he or she has a different qualifying child.

The tiebreaker rules, which follow, explain who, if any one, can claim the EIC when more than one person has the same qualifying child. However, the tiebreaker rules don't apply if the other person is your spouse and you file a joint return.

Tiebreaker rules. To determine which person can treat the child as a qualifying child to claim the six tax benefits just listed, the following tiebreaker rules apply.

- If only one of the persons is the child's parent, the child is treated as the qualifying child of the parent.
- If the parents file a joint return together and can claim the child as a qualifying child, the child is treated as the qualifying child of the parents.
- If the parents don't file a joint return together but both parents claim the child as a qualifying child, the IRS will treat the child as the qualifying child of the parent with whom the child lived for the longer period of time during the year. If the child lived with each parent for the same amount of time, the IRS will treat the child as the qualifying child of the parent who had the higher adjusted gross income (AGI) for the year.

- If no parent can claim the child as a qualifying child, the child is treated as the qualifying child of the person who had the highest AGI for the year.
- If a parent can claim the child as a qualifying child but no parent does so claim the child, the child is treated as the qualifying child of the person who had the highest AGI for the year, but only if that person's AGI is higher than the highest AGI of any of the child's parents who can claim the child. If the child's parents file a joint return with each other, this rule can be applied by treating the parents' total AGI as divided evenly between them. See *Example 8*.

Subject to these tiebreaker rules, you and the other person may be able to choose which of you claims the child as a qualifying child. See *Examples 1* through *13*.

If you cannot claim the EIC because your qualifying child is treated under the tiebreaker rules as the qualifying child of another person for 2015, you may be able to take the EIC using a different qualifying child, but you cannot take the EIC using the rules in chapter 3 for people who don't have a qualifying child.

If the other person cannot claim the EIC. If you and someone else have the same qualifying child but the other person cannot claim the EIC because he or she isn't eligible or his or her earned income or AGI is too high, you may be able to treat the child as a qualifying child. See *Examples 6* and *7*. But you cannot treat the child as a qualifying child to claim the EIC if the other person uses the child to claim any of the other six tax benefits listed earlier in this chapter.

Examples. The following examples may help you in determining whether you can claim the EIC when you and someone else have the same qualifying child.

Example 1—child lived with parent and grandparent. You and your 2-year-old son Jimmy lived with your mother all year. You are 25 years old, unmarried, and your AGI is \$9,000. Your only income was \$9,000 from a part-time job. Your mother's only income was \$20,000 from her job, and her AGI is \$20,000. Jimmy's father did not live with you or Jimmy. The special rule explained later for divorced or separated parents (or parents who live apart) doesn't apply. Jimmy is a qualifying child of both you and your mother because he meets the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests for both you and your mother. However, only one of you can treat him as a qualifying child to claim the EIC (and the other tax benefits listed earlier in this chapter for which that person qualifies). He isn't a qualifying child of anyone else, including his father. If you don't claim Jimmy as a qualifying child for the EIC or any of the other tax benefits listed earlier, your mother can treat him as a qualifying child to claim the EIC (and any of the other tax benefits listed earlier for which she qualifies).

Example 2—parent has higher AGI than grandparent. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except your AGI is \$25,000. Because your mother's AGI isn't higher

than yours, she cannot claim Jimmy as a qualifying child. Only you can claim him.

Example 3—two persons claim same child. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except that you and your mother both claim Jimmy as a qualifying child. In this case, you as the child's parent will be the only one allowed to claim Jimmy as a qualifying child for the EIC and the other tax benefits listed earlier for which you qualify. The IRS will disallow your mother's claim to the EIC and any of the other tax benefits listed earlier unless she has another qualifying child.

Example 4—qualifying children split between two persons. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except that you also have two other young children who are qualifying children of both you and your mother. Only one of you can claim each child. However, if your mother's AGI is higher than yours, you can allow your mother to claim one or more of the children. For example, if you claim one child, your mother can claim the other two.

Example 5—taxpayer who is a qualifying child. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except that you are only 18 years old. This means you are a qualifying child of your mother. Because of *Rule 10*, discussed next, you cannot claim the EIC and cannot claim your son as a qualifying child. Only your mother may be able to treat Jimmy as a qualifying child to claim the EIC. If your mother meets all the other requirements for claiming the EIC and you don't claim Jimmy as a qualifying child for any of the other tax benefits listed earlier, your mother can claim both you and Jimmy as qualifying children for the EIC.

Example 6—grandparent with too much earned income to claim EIC. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except that your mother earned \$50,000 from her job. Because your mother's earned income is too high for her to claim the EIC, only you can claim the EIC using your son.

Example 7—parent with too much earned income to claim EIC. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except that you earned \$50,000 from your job and your AGI is \$50,500. Your earned income is too high for you to claim the EIC. But your mother cannot claim the EIC either, because her AGI isn't higher than yours.

Example 8—child lived with both parents and grandparent. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except that you and Jimmy's father are married to each other, live with Jimmy and your mother, and have AGI of \$30,000 on a joint return. If you and your husband don't claim Jimmy as a qualifying child for the EIC or any of the other tax benefits listed earlier, your mother can claim him instead. Even though the AGI on your joint return, \$30,000, is more than your mother's AGI of \$20,000, for this purpose half of the joint AGI can be treated as yours and half as your husband's. In other words, each parent's AGI can be treated as \$15,000.

Example 9—separated parents. You, your husband, and your 10-year-old son Joey lived together until

August 1, 2015, when your husband moved out of the household. In August and September, Joey lived with you. For the rest of the year, Joey lived with your husband, who is Joey's father. Joey is a qualifying child of both you and your husband because he lived with each of you for more than half the year and because he met the relationship, age, and joint return tests for both of you. At the end of the year, you and your husband still weren't divorced, legally separated, or separated under a written separation agreement, so the [Special rule for divorced or separated parents \(or parents who live apart\)](#) doesn't apply.

You and your husband will file separate returns. Your husband agrees to let you treat Joey as a qualifying child. This means, if your husband doesn't claim Joey as a qualifying child for any of the tax benefits listed earlier, you can claim him as a qualifying child for any tax benefit listed earlier for which you qualify. However, your filing status is married filing separately, so you cannot claim the EIC or the credit for child and dependent care expenses. See [Rule 3](#).

Example 10—separated parents claim same child.

The facts are the same as in [Example 9](#) except that you and your husband both claim Joey as a qualifying child. In this case, only your husband will be allowed to treat Joey as a qualifying child. This is because, during 2015, the boy lived with him longer than with you. You cannot claim the EIC (either with or without a qualifying child). However, your husband's filing status is married filing separately, so he cannot claim the EIC or the credit for child and dependent care expenses. See [Rule 3](#).

Example 11—unmarried parents. You, your 5-year-old son, and your son's father lived together all year. You and your son's father aren't married. Your son is a qualifying child of both you and his father because he meets the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests for both you and his father. Your earned income and AGI are \$12,000, and your son's father's earned income and AGI are \$14,000. Neither of you had any other income. Your son's father agrees to let you treat the child as a qualifying child. This means, if your son's father doesn't claim your son as a qualifying child for the EIC or any of the other tax benefits listed earlier, you can claim him as a qualifying child for the EIC and any of the other tax benefits listed earlier for which you qualify.

Example 12—unmarried parents claim same child.

The facts are the same as in [Example 11](#) except that you and your son's father both claim your son as a qualifying child. In this case, only your son's father will be allowed to treat your son as a qualifying child. This is because his AGI, \$14,000, is more than your AGI, \$12,000. You cannot claim the EIC (either with or without a qualifying child).

Example 13—child did not live with a parent. You and your 7-year-old niece, your sister's child, lived with your mother all year. You are 25 years old, and your AGI is \$9,300. Your only income was from a part-time job. Your mother's AGI is \$15,000. Her only income was from her job. Your niece's parents file jointly, have an AGI of less than \$9,000, and don't live with you or their child.

Your niece is a qualifying child of both you and your mother because she meets the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests for both you and your mother. However, only your mother can treat her as a qualifying child. This is because your mother's AGI, \$15,000, is more than your AGI, \$9,300.

Special rule for divorced or separated parents (or parents who live apart). A child will be treated as the qualifying child of his or her noncustodial parent (for purposes of claiming an exemption and the child tax credit, but not for the EIC) if all of the following statements are true.

1. The parents:
 - a. Are divorced or legally separated under a decree of divorce or separate maintenance,
 - b. Are separated under a written separation agreement, or
 - c. Lived apart at all time during the last 6 months of 2015, whether or not they are or were married.
2. The child received over half of his or her support for the year from the parents.
3. The child is in the custody of one or both parents for more than half of 2015.
4. Either of the following statements is true.
 - a. The custodial parent signs Form 8332 or a substantially similar statement that he or she will not claim the child as a dependent for the year, and the noncustodial parent attaches the form or statement to his or her return. If the divorce decree or separation agreement went into effect after 1984 and before 2009, the noncustodial parent may be able to attach certain pages from the decree or agreement instead of Form 8332.
 - b. A pre-1985 decree of divorce or separate maintenance or written separation agreement that applies to 2015 provides that the noncustodial parent can claim the child as a dependent, and the noncustodial parent provides at least \$600 for support of the child during 2015.

For details, see Pub. 501. If a child is treated as the qualifying child of the noncustodial parent under this special rule for children of divorced or separated parents (or parents who live apart), only the noncustodial parent can claim an exemption and the child tax credit for the child. However, only the custodial parent, if eligible, or another eligible taxpayer can claim the child as a qualifying child for the EIC. For details and examples, see [Applying the tiebreaker rules to divorced or separated parents \(or parents who live apart\)](#) in Pub. 501.

Rule 10—You Cannot Be a Qualifying Child of Another Taxpayer

You are a qualifying child of another taxpayer (such as your parent, guardian, or foster parent) if all of the following statements are true.

1. You are that person's son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, or a descendant of any of them. Or, you are that person's brother, sister, half brother, half sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or a descendant of any of them.
2. You were:
 - a. Under age 19 at the end of the year and younger than that person (or that person's spouse, if the person files jointly),
 - b. Under age 24 at the end of the year, a student, and younger than that person (or that person's spouse, if the person files jointly), or
 - c. Permanently and totally disabled, regardless of age.
3. You lived with that person in the United States for more than half of the year.
4. You aren't filing a joint return for the year (or are filing a joint return only to claim a refund of withheld income tax or estimated tax paid).

For more details about the tests to be a qualifying child, see *Rule 8*.

If you are a qualifying child of another taxpayer, you cannot claim the EIC. This is true even if the person for whom you are a qualifying child doesn't claim the EIC or meet all of the rules to claim the EIC. Put "No" beside line 66a (Form 1040) or line 42a (Form 1040A).

Example. You and your daughter lived with your mother all year. You are 22 years old, unmarried, and attended a trade school full time. You had a part-time job and earned \$5,700. You had no other income. Because you meet the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests, you are a qualifying child of your mother. She can claim the EIC if she meets all the other requirements. Because you are your mother's qualifying child, you cannot claim the EIC. This is so even if your mother cannot or doesn't claim the EIC.

Child of person not required to file a return. You aren't the qualifying child of another taxpayer (and so may qualify to claim the EIC) if the person for whom you met the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests isn't required to file an income tax return and either:

- Doesn't file an income tax return, or
- Files a return only to get a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid.

Example 1—return not required. The facts are the same as in the last example except your mother had no gross income, isn't required to file a 2015 tax return, and doesn't file a 2015 tax return. As a result, you aren't your mother's qualifying child. You can claim the EIC if you meet all the other requirements to do so.

Example 2—return filed to get refund of tax withheld. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except your mother had wages of \$1,500 and had income tax withheld from her wages. She files a return only to get a refund of the income tax withheld and doesn't claim the EIC or any other tax credits or deductions. As a result, you aren't your mother's qualifying child. You can claim the EIC if you meet all the other requirements to do so.

Example 3—return filed to get EIC. The facts are the same as in *Example 2* except your mother claimed the EIC on her return. Since she filed the return to get the EIC, she isn't filing it only to get a refund of income tax withheld. As a result, you are your mother's qualifying child. You cannot claim the EIC.

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Rules If You Do Not Have a Qualifying Child

Use this chapter if you don't have a qualifying child and have met all the rules in chapter 1. This chapter discusses *Rules 11* through *14*. You must meet all four of those rules, in addition to the rules in chapters 1 and 4, to qualify for the earned income credit without a qualifying child.

You can file Form 1040, Form 1040A, or Form 1040EZ to claim the EIC without a qualifying child. If you meet all the rules in chapter 1 and this chapter, read chapter 4 to find out what to do next.

If you have a qualifying child. If you meet *Rule 8*, you have a qualifying child. If you meet *Rule 8* and don't claim the EIC with a qualifying child, you cannot claim the EIC without a qualifying child.

Rule 11—You Must Be at Least Age 25 but Under Age 65

You must be at least age 25 but under age 65 at the end of 2015. If you are married filing a joint return, either you or your spouse must be at least age 25 but under age 65 at the end of 2015. It doesn't matter which spouse meets the age test, as long as one of the spouses does.

You meet the age test if you were born after December 31, 1950, and before January 2, 1991. If you are married

filing a joint return, you meet the age test if either you or your spouse was born after December 31, 1950, and before January 2, 1991.

If neither you nor your spouse meets the age test, you cannot claim the EIC. Put “No” next to line 66a (Form 1040), line 42a (Form 1040A), or line 8a (Form 1040EZ).

Example 1. You are age 28 and unmarried. You meet the age test.

Example 2—spouse meets age test. You are married and filing a joint return. You are age 23 and your spouse is age 27. You meet the age test because your spouse is at least age 25 but under age 65.

Death of spouse. If you are filing a joint return with your spouse who died in 2015, you meet the age test if your spouse was at least age 25 but under age 65 at the time of death.

Your spouse is considered to reach age 25 on the day before his or her 25th birthday. However, the rule for reaching age 65 is different; your spouse reaches age 65 on his or her 65th birthday.

Even if your spouse was born before January 2, 1991, he or she isn't considered at least age 25 at the end of 2015 unless he or she was at least age 25 at the time of death.

Example 1. You are married and filing a joint return with your spouse who died in August 2015. You are age 67. Your spouse would have become age 65 in November 2015. Because your spouse was under age 65 when she died, you meet the age test.

Example 2. Your spouse was born on February 14, 1990, and died on February 13, 2015. Your spouse is considered age 25 at the time of death. However, if your spouse died on February 12, 2015, your spouse isn't considered age 25 at the time of death and isn't at least age 25 at the end of 2015.

Death of taxpayer. A taxpayer who died in 2015 meets the age test if the taxpayer was at least age 25 but under age 65 at the time of death.

A taxpayer is considered to reach age 25 on the day before his or her 25th birthday. However, the rule for reaching age 65 is different; a taxpayer reaches age 65 on his or her 65th birthday.

Even if the taxpayer was born before January 2, 1991, he or she isn't considered at least age 25 at the end of 2015 unless he or she was at least age 25 at the time of death.

Rule 12—You Cannot Be the Dependent of Another Person

If you **aren't** filing a joint return, you meet this rule if:

- You checked box 6a on Form 1040 or 1040A, or

- You didn't check the “You” box on line 5 of Form 1040EZ, and you entered \$10,300 on that line.

If you are filing a joint return, you meet this rule if:

- You checked both box 6a and box 6b on Form 1040 or 1040A, or
- You and your spouse didn't check either the “You” box or the “Spouse” box on line 5 of Form 1040EZ, and you entered \$20,600 on that line.

If you aren't sure whether someone else can claim you as a dependent, get Pub. 501 and read the rules for claiming a dependent.

If someone else can claim you as a dependent on his or her return, but doesn't, you still cannot claim the credit.

Example 1. In 2015, you were age 25, single, and living at home with your parents. You worked and weren't a student. You earned \$7,500. Your parents cannot claim you as a dependent. When you file your return, you claim an exemption for yourself by not checking the “You” box on line 5 of your Form 1040EZ and by entering \$10,300 on that line. You meet this rule. You can claim the EIC if you meet all the other requirements.

Example 2. The facts are the same as in *Example 1*, except that you earned \$2,000. Your parents can claim you as a dependent but decide not to. You don't meet this rule. You cannot claim the credit because your parents could have claimed you as a dependent.

Joint returns. You generally cannot be claimed as a dependent by another person if you are married and file a joint return.

However, another person may be able to claim you as a dependent if you and your spouse file a joint return merely to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid. But neither you nor your spouse can be claimed as a dependent by another person if you claim the EIC on your joint return.

Example 1—return filed to get refund of tax withheld. You are 26 years old. You and your wife live with your parents and had \$800 of wages from part-time jobs and no other income. Neither you nor your wife is required to file a tax return. You don't have a child. Taxes were taken out of your pay so you file a joint return only to get a refund of the withheld taxes. Your parents aren't disqualified from claiming an exemption for you just because you filed a joint return. They can claim exemptions for you and your wife if all the other tests to do so are met.

Example 2—return filed to get EIC. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except no taxes were taken out of your pay. Also, you and your wife aren't required to file a tax return, but you file a joint return to claim an EIC of \$63 and get a refund of that amount. Because claiming the EIC is your reason for filing the return, you aren't filing it only to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid. Your parents cannot claim an exemption for either you or your wife.

Rule 13—You Cannot Be a Qualifying Child of Another Taxpayer

You are a qualifying child of another taxpayer (your parent, guardian, foster parent, etc.) if all of the following statements are true.

1. You are that person's son, daughter, stepchild, foster child, or a descendant of any of them. Or, you are that person's brother, sister, half brother, half sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or a descendant of any of them.
2. You were:
 - a. Under age 19 at the end of the year and younger than that person (or that person's spouse, if the person files jointly),
 - b. Under age 24 at the end of the year, a student, and younger than that person (or that person's spouse, if the person files jointly), or
 - c. Permanently and totally disabled, regardless of age.
3. You lived with that person in the United States for more than half of the year.
4. You aren't filing a joint return for the year (or are filing a joint return only to claim a refund of withheld income tax or estimated tax paid).

For more details about the tests to be a qualifying child, see *Rule 8*.

If you are a qualifying child of another taxpayer, you cannot claim the EIC. This is true even if the person for whom you are a qualifying child doesn't claim the EIC or meet all of the rules to claim the EIC. Put "No" next to line 66a (Form 1040), line 42a (Form 1040A), or line 8a (Form 1040EZ).

Example. You lived with your mother all year. You are age 26, unmarried, and permanently and totally disabled. Your only income was from a community center where you went three days a week to answer telephones. You earned \$5,000 for the year and provided more than half of your own support. Because you meet the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests, you are a qualifying child of your mother for the EIC. She can claim the EIC if she meets all the other requirements. Because you are a qualifying child of your mother, you cannot claim the EIC. This is so even if your mother cannot or doesn't claim the EIC.

Joint returns. You generally cannot be a qualifying child of another taxpayer if you are married and file a joint return.

However, you may be a qualifying child of another taxpayer if you and your spouse file a joint return merely to claim a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid. But neither you nor your spouse can be a qualifying

child of another taxpayer if you claim the EIC on your joint return.

Child of person not required to file a return. You aren't the qualifying child of another taxpayer (and so may qualify to claim the EIC) if the person for whom you meet the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests isn't required to file an income tax return and either:

- Doesn't file an income tax return, or
- Files a return only to get a refund of income tax withheld or estimated tax paid.

Example 1—return not required. You lived all year with your father. You are 27 years old, unmarried, permanently and totally disabled, and earned \$13,000. You have no other income, no children, and provided more than half of your own support. Your father had no gross income, isn't required to file a 2015 tax return, and doesn't file a 2015 tax return. As a result, you aren't your father's qualifying child. You can claim the EIC if you meet all the other requirements to do so.

Example 2—return filed to get refund of tax withheld. The facts are the same as in *Example 1* except your father had wages of \$1,500 and had income tax withheld from his wages. He files a return only to get a refund of the income tax withheld and doesn't claim the EIC or any other tax credits or deductions. As a result, you aren't your father's qualifying child. You can claim the EIC if you meet all the other requirements to do so.

Example 3—return filed to get EIC. The facts are the same as in *Example 2* except your father claimed the EIC on his return. Since he filed the return to get the EIC, he isn't filing it only to get a refund of income tax withheld. As a result, you are your father's qualifying child. You cannot claim the EIC.

Rule 14—You Must Have Lived in the United States More Than Half of the Year

Your home (and your spouse's, if filing a joint return) must have been in the United States for more than half the year.

If it wasn't, put "No" next to line 66a (Form 1040), line 42a (Form 1040A), or line 8a (Form 1040EZ).

United States. This means the 50 states and the District of Columbia. It doesn't include Puerto Rico or U.S. possessions such as Guam.

Homeless shelter. Your home can be any location where you regularly live. You don't need a traditional home. If you lived in one or more homeless shelters in the United States for more than half the year, you meet this rule.

Military personnel stationed outside the United States. U.S. military personnel stationed outside the United States on extended active duty (defined in chapter 2) are considered to live in the United States during that duty period for purposes of the EIC.

4.

Figuring and Claiming the EIC

You must meet one more rule to claim the EIC.

You need to know the amount of your earned income to see if you meet the rule in this chapter. You also need to know that amount to figure your EIC.

Rule 15—Earned Income Limits

Your earned income must be less than:

- \$47,747 (\$53,267 for married filing jointly) if you have three or more qualifying children,
- \$44,454 (\$49,974 for married filing jointly) if you have two qualifying children,
- \$39,131 (\$44,651 for married filing jointly) if you have one qualifying child, or
- \$14,820 (\$20,330 for married filing jointly) if you don't have a qualifying child.

Earned Income

Earned income generally means wages, salaries, tips, other taxable employee pay, and net earnings from self-employment. Employee pay is earned income only if it is taxable. Nontaxable employee pay, such as certain dependent care benefits and adoption benefits, isn't earned income. But there is an exception for nontaxable combat pay, which you can choose to include in earned income. Earned income is explained in detail in *Rule 7* in chapter 1.

Figuring earned income. If you are self-employed, a statutory employee, or a member of the clergy or a church employee who files Schedule SE (Form 1040), you will figure your earned income when you fill out Part 4 of EIC Worksheet B in the Form 1040 instructions.

Otherwise, figure your earned income by using the worksheet in *Step 5* of the Form 1040 instructions for lines 66a and 66b or the Form 1040A instructions for lines 42a and 42b, or the worksheet in *Step 2* of the Form 1040EZ instructions for lines 8a and 8b.

When using one of those worksheets to figure your earned income, you will start with the amount on line 7 (Form 1040 or Form 1040A) or line 1 (Form 1040EZ). You will then reduce that amount by any amount included on that line and described in the following list.

- **Scholarship or fellowship grants not reported on a Form W-2.** A scholarship or fellowship grant that wasn't reported to you on a Form W-2 isn't considered earned income for the earned income credit.
- **Inmate's income.** Amounts received for work performed while an inmate in a penal institution aren't earned income for the earned income credit. This includes amounts received for work performed while in a work release program or while in a halfway house. If you received any amount for work done while an inmate in a penal institution and that amount is included in the total on line 7 (Form 1040 or Form 1040A) or line 1 (Form 1040EZ), put "PRI" and the amount on the dotted line next to line 7 (Form 1040), in the space to the left of the entry space for line 7 (Form 1040A), or in the space to the left of line 1 (Form 1040EZ).
- **Pension or annuity from deferred compensation plans.** A pension or annuity from a nonqualified deferred compensation plan or a nongovernmental section 457 plan isn't considered earned income for the earned income credit. If you received such an amount and it was included in the total on line 7 (Form 1040 or Form 1040A) or line 1 (Form 1040EZ), put "DFC" and the amount on the dotted line next to line 7 (Form 1040), in the space to the left of the entry space for line 7 (Form 1040A), or in the space to the left of line 1 (Form 1040EZ). This amount may be reported in box 11 of your Form W-2. If you received such an amount but box 11 is blank, contact your employer for the amount received as a pension or an annuity.
- **Medicaid waiver payments.** Medicaid waiver payments you exclude from income aren't earned income for the earned income credit. These are payments received for providing nonmedical support services under a plan of care to someone in your home. If these payments were incorrectly reported to you in box 1 of Form(s) W-2 and you included them in the total on Form 1040, line 7, because you couldn't get a corrected Form W-2, report them as described in the instructions for Form 1040, line 21. For more information about these payments, see Pub. 525.

Clergy. If you are a member of the clergy who files Schedule SE and the amount on line 2 of that schedule includes an amount that was also reported on line 7 (Form 1040), subtract that amount from the amount on line 7 (Form 1040) and enter the result on line 1 of the worksheet in *Step 5* of the Form 1040 instructions for lines 66a and 66b. Put "Clergy" on the dotted line next to line 66a (Form 1040).

Church employees. A church employee means an employee (other than a minister or member of a religious order) of a church or qualified church-controlled organization that is exempt from employer social security and

Medicare taxes. If you received wages as a church employee and included any amount on both line 5a of Schedule SE and line 7 (Form 1040), subtract that amount from the amount on line 7 (Form 1040) and enter the result on line 1 of the worksheet in *Step 5* of the Form 1040 instructions for lines 66a and 66b.

Nontaxable combat pay. You can elect to include your nontaxable combat pay in earned income for the earned income credit. If you make the election, you must include in earned income all nontaxable combat pay you received.

If you are filing a joint return and both you and your spouse received nontaxable combat pay, you can each make your own election. In other words, if one of you makes the election, the other one can also make it but doesn't have to.

The amount of your nontaxable combat pay should be shown on your Form W-2 in box 12 with code Q.

Electing to include nontaxable combat pay in earned income may increase or decrease your EIC. Figure the credit with and without your nontaxable combat pay before making the election. Whether the election increases or decreases your EIC depends on your total earned income, filing status, and number of qualifying children. If your earned income without your combat pay is less than the amount shown below for your number of children, you may benefit from electing to include your nontaxable combat pay in earned income and you should figure the credit both ways. If your earned income without your combat pay is equal to or more than these amounts, you will not benefit from including your combat pay in your earned income.

- \$6,550 if you have no children.
- \$9,850 if you have one child.
- \$13,850 if you have two or more children.

The following examples illustrate the effect of including nontaxable combat pay in earned income for the EIC.

Example 1—election increases the EIC. George and Janice are married and will file a joint return. They have one qualifying child. George was in the military and earned \$15,000 (\$5,000 taxable wages + \$10,000 nontaxable combat pay). Janice worked part of the year and earned \$2,000. Their taxable earned income and AGI are \$7,000. George and Janice qualify for the EIC and fill out the EIC Worksheet and Schedule EIC.

When they complete the EIC Worksheet without adding the nontaxable combat pay to their earned income, they find their credit to be \$2,389. When they complete the EIC Worksheet with the nontaxable combat pay added to their earned income, they find their credit to be \$3,359. Because making the election will increase their EIC, they elect to add the nontaxable combat pay to their earned income for the EIC. They enter \$3,359 on line 42a of their Form 1040A and enter the amount of their nontaxable combat pay on line 42b.

Example 2—election doesn't increase the EIC. The facts are the same as *Example 1* except George had nontaxable combat pay of \$24,000. When George and

Janice add their nontaxable combat pay to their earned income, they find their credit to be \$2,177. Because the credit they can get if they don't add the nontaxable combat pay to their earned income is \$2,389, they decide not to make the election. They enter \$2,389 on line 42a of their Form 1040A.

IRS Will Figure the EIC for You

The IRS will figure your EIC for you if you follow the instructions in Figure B.



Please don't ask the IRS to figure your EIC unless you are eligible for it. To be eligible, you must meet Rule 15 in this chapter as well as the rules in chapter 1 and either chapter 2 or chapter 3, whichever applies to you. If your credit was reduced or disallowed for any year after 1996, the rules in chapter 5 may apply as well.



If you want the IRS to figure your income tax, see chapter 30 of Pub. 17, Your Federal Income Tax.

How To Figure the EIC Yourself

To figure the EIC yourself, use the EIC Worksheet in the instructions for the form you are using (Form 1040, Form 1040A, or Form 1040EZ). If you have a qualifying child, complete Schedule EIC (discussed later in this chapter) and attach it to your tax return.

If you want the IRS to figure your EIC for you, see *IRS Will Figure the EIC for You*, earlier.

Special Instructions for Form 1040 Filers

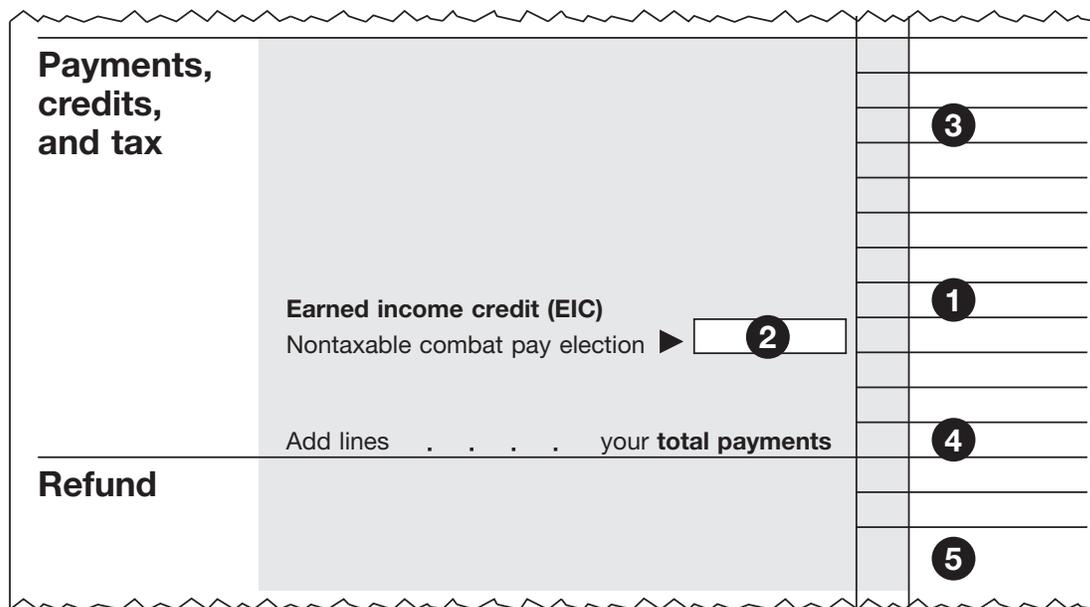
If you file Form 1040, you will need to decide whether to use EIC Worksheet A or EIC Worksheet B to figure the amount of your EIC. This section explains how to use these worksheets and how to report the EIC on your return.

EIC Worksheet A. Use EIC Worksheet A if you were not self-employed at any time in 2015 and aren't a member of the clergy, a church employee who files Schedule SE, or a statutory employee filing Schedule C or C-EZ.

EIC Worksheet B. Use EIC Worksheet B if you were self-employed at any time in 2015 or are a member of the clergy, a church employee who files Schedule SE, or a statutory employee filing Schedule C or C-EZ. If any of the following situations apply to you, read the paragraph and then complete EIC Worksheet B.

Net earnings from self-employment of \$400 or more. If your net earnings from self-employment are \$400 or more, be sure to correctly fill out Schedule SE (Form 1040) and pay the proper amount of

Figure B. Steps To Follow To Have the IRS Figure Your EIC



- 1 Put “EIC” on the dotted line next to line 66a (Form 1040), to the left of the entry space for line 42a (Form 1040A), or in the space to the left of line 8a (Form 1040EZ). Then, if you have any of the types of income described earlier under *Inmate’s income, Pension or annuity from deferred compensation plans, Medicaid waiver payments, or Clergy*, follow the instructions given there.
- 2 If you received nontaxable combat pay and are electing to include it in your earned income for the EIC, enter the amount on line 66b (Form 1040), line 42b (Form 1040A), or line 8b (Form 1040EZ). For details, see *Nontaxable combat pay* in this chapter.
- 3 Complete all other parts of your return that apply to you.
- 4 Do not fill in lines that relate to your total payments, overpayment, refund, or amount you owe (lines 74, 75, 76a, and 78 (Form 1040), lines 46, 47, 48a, and 50 (Form 1040A), or lines 9, 13a, and 14 (Form 1040EZ)).
- 5 If you have a qualifying child, complete Schedule EIC and attach it to your tax return.

self-employment tax. If you don't, you may not get all the EIC you are entitled to.



When figuring your net earnings from self-employment, you must claim all your allowable business expenses.

When to use the optional methods of figuring net earnings. Using the optional methods on Schedule SE to figure your net earnings from self-employment may qualify you for the EIC or give you a larger credit. If your net earnings (without using the optional methods) are less than \$4,880, see the instructions for Schedule SE for details about the optional methods.

When both spouses have self-employment income. You must complete both Parts 1 and 2 of EIC Worksheet B if all of the following conditions apply to you.

1. You are married filing a joint return.
2. Both you and your spouse have income from self-employment.
3. You or your spouse file a Schedule SE and the other spouse doesn't file Schedule SE.

Statutory employees. Statutory employees report wages and expenses on Schedule C or C-EZ. They don't file Schedule SE. If you are a statutory employee, enter the amount from line 1 of Schedule C or C-EZ in Part 3 when you complete EIC Worksheet B.

Schedule EIC

You must complete Schedule EIC and attach it to your tax return if you have a qualifying child and are claiming the

EIC. Schedule EIC provides the IRS with information about your qualifying children, including their names, ages, SSNs, relationship to you, and the amount of time they lived with you during the year. An example of a filled-in Schedule EIC is shown in chapter 6.



If you are required to complete and attach Schedule EIC but don't, it will take longer to process your return and issue your refund.

5.

Disallowance of the EIC



If your earned income credit (EIC) for any year after 1996 was denied (disallowed) or reduced by the IRS, you may need to complete an additional form to claim the credit for 2015.

This chapter is for people whose earned income credit (EIC) for any year after 1996 was denied or reduced by the IRS. If this applies to you, you may need to complete Form 8862, Information To Claim Earned Income Credit After Disallowance, and attach it to your 2015 return to claim the credit for 2015. This chapter explains when you need to attach Form 8862. For more information, see Form 8862 and its instructions.

This chapter also explains the rules for certain people who cannot claim the EIC for a period of years after their EIC was denied or reduced.

Form 8862

If your EIC for any year after 1996 was denied or reduced for any reason other than a math or clerical error, you must attach a completed Form 8862 to your next tax return to claim the EIC. You must also qualify to claim the EIC by meeting all the rules described in this publication.

Exception 1. Don't file Form 8862 if either (1) or (2) below is true.

1. After your EIC was reduced or disallowed in the earlier year:
 - a. You filed Form 8862 in a later year and your EIC for that later year was allowed, and
 - b. Your EIC hasn't been reduced or disallowed again for any reason other than a math or clerical error.
2. You are taking the EIC without a qualifying child for 2015 and the only reason your EIC was reduced or disallowed in the earlier year was because the IRS determined that a child listed on Schedule EIC wasn't your qualifying child.

In either of these cases, you can take the EIC without filing Form 8862 if you meet all the EIC eligibility requirements.

Exception 2. Don't file Form 8862 or take the EIC for:

- 2 years after there was a final determination that your EIC claim was due to reckless or intentional disregard of the EIC rules, or
- 10 years after there was a final determination that your EIC claim was due to fraud.

More information. For details, see *Are You Prohibited From Claiming the EIC for a Period of Years?* in this chapter.

The date on which your EIC was denied and the date on which you file your 2015 return affect whether you need to attach Form 8862 to your 2015 return or to a later return. The following examples demonstrate whether Form 8862 is required for 2015 or 2016.

Example 1—Form 8862 required for 2015. You filed your 2014 tax return in March 2015 and claimed the EIC with a qualifying child. The IRS questioned the EIC, and you were unable to prove the child was a qualifying child. In September 2015, you received a statutory notice of deficiency telling you that an adjustment would be made and tax assessed unless you filed a petition with the Tax Court within 90 days. You didn't act on this notice within 90 days. Therefore, your EIC was denied in December 2015. To claim the EIC with a qualifying child on your 2015 return, you must complete and attach Form 8862 to that return. However, to claim the EIC without a qualifying child on your 2015 return, you don't need to file Form 8862.

Example 2—Form 8862 required for 2016. The facts are the same as in the previous example except that you received the statutory notice of deficiency in February 2016. Because the 90-day period referred to in the statutory notice isn't over when you are ready to file your return for 2015, you shouldn't attach Form 8862 to your 2015 return. However, to claim the EIC with a qualifying child for 2016, you must complete and attach Form 8862 to your return for that year. To claim the EIC without a qualifying child for 2016, you don't need to file Form 8862.

Exception for math or clerical errors. If your EIC was denied or reduced as a result of a math or clerical error, don't attach Form 8862 to your next tax return. For example, if your arithmetic is incorrect, the IRS can correct it. If you don't provide a correct social security number, the IRS can deny the EIC. These kinds of errors are called math or clerical errors.

Omission of Form 8862. If you are required to attach Form 8862 to your 2015 tax return, and you claim the EIC without attaching a completed Form 8862, your claim will be automatically denied. This is considered a math or clerical error. You won't be permitted to claim the EIC without a completed Form 8862.

Additional documents may be required. You may have to provide the IRS with additional documents or information before a refund relating to the EIC you claim is

Are You Prohibited From Claiming the EIC for a Period of Years?

If your EIC for any year after 1996 was denied and it was determined that your error was due to reckless or intentional disregard of the EIC rules, then you cannot claim the EIC for the next 2 years. If your error was due to fraud, then you cannot claim the EIC for the next 10 years. The date on which your EIC was denied and the date on which you file your 2015 return affect the years for which you are prohibited from claiming the EIC. The following examples demonstrate which years you are prohibited from claiming the EIC.

Example 3—cannot claim EIC for 2 years. You claimed the EIC on your 2014 tax return, which you filed in March 2015. The IRS determined you weren't entitled to the EIC and that your error was due to reckless or intentional disregard of the EIC rules. In September 2015, you received a statutory notice of deficiency telling you an adjustment would be made and tax assessed unless you filed a petition with the Tax Court within 90 days. You didn't act on this notice within 90 days. Therefore, your EIC was denied in December 2015. You cannot claim the EIC for tax year 2015 or 2016. To claim the EIC on your return for 2017, you must complete and attach Form 8862 to your return for that year.

Example 4. The facts are the same as in *Example 3*, except that your 2014 EIC was not denied until after you filed your 2015 return. You cannot claim the EIC for tax year 2016 or 2017. To claim the EIC on your return for 2018, you must complete and attach Form 8862 to your return for that year.

Example 5—cannot claim EIC for 10 years. You claimed the EIC on your 2014 tax return, which you filed in February 2015. The IRS determined you weren't entitled to the EIC and that your error was due to fraud. In September 2015, you received a statutory notice of deficiency telling you an adjustment would be made and tax assessed unless you filed a petition with the Tax Court within 90 days. You didn't act on this notice within 90 days. Therefore, your EIC was denied in December 2015. You cannot claim the EIC for tax years 2015 through 2024. To claim the EIC on your return for 2025, you must complete and attach Form 8862 to your return for that year.

6.

Detailed Examples

The next few pages contain two detailed examples (with a filled-in Schedule EIC and EIC Worksheet) that may be helpful if you have questions about claiming the EIC.

Example 1—Sharon Rose

Sharon Rose is age 63 and retired. She received \$7,000 in social security benefits during the year and \$9,000 from a part-time job. She also received a taxable pension of \$6,400. Sharon had no other income. Her AGI on line 22 of Form 1040A is \$15,400 (\$9,000 + \$6,400).

Sharon isn't married and lived alone in the United States for the entire year. She cannot be claimed as a dependent on anyone else's return. She doesn't have any investment income and doesn't have a qualifying child.

Sharon reads the steps for eligibility in her Form 1040A instructions. In *Step 1* she discovers that, because her AGI (\$15,400) isn't less than \$14,820, she cannot take the EIC. She completes the rest of her Form 1040A and files it with the IRS.

Example 2—Cynthia and Jerry Grey

Cynthia and Jerry Grey have two children, Kirk, age 8, and Susanne, age 6. The children lived with Cynthia and Jerry for all of 2015. Cynthia earned wages of \$15,000 and Jerry had wages of \$10,000. The Greys received \$525 in interest on their savings account. They had no other income in 2015.

Cynthia and Jerry have the 2015 Form 1040A and instructions. They want to see if they qualify for the EIC, so they follow the steps in the instructions for lines 42a and 42b.

Step 1. The amount Cynthia and Jerry entered on Form 1040A, line 22, was \$25,525. They both have valid social security numbers (SSNs), which they have had for many years. They will file a joint return. Neither Cynthia nor Jerry is a nonresident alien. Therefore, the answers they give to the questions in *Step 1* allow them to proceed to *Step 2*.

Step 2. The only investment income the Greys have is their \$525 interest income. That amount isn't more than \$3,400, so they answer "No" to the second question in *Step 2* and go to *Step 3*.

Step 3. Their children, Kirk and Susanne, meet the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests to be Cynthia and Jerry's qualifying children, so Cynthia and Jerry

answer “Yes” to the first question in *Step 3*. Kirk and Susanne aren't qualifying children of anyone else. Both children have valid SSNs, which they got soon after birth. Cynthia and Jerry are filing a joint return, so they answer “Yes” to the second question in *Step 3*. This means they can skip question 3 and *Step 4* and go to *Step 5*.

Step 5. Cynthia and Jerry figure their earned income to be \$25,000, the amount of their combined wages. This is less than \$49,974, so they go to *Step 6* to figure their credit.

Step 6. Cynthia and Jerry want to figure their EIC themselves, so they complete the EIC Worksheet in the Form 1040A instructions (shown later).

Completing the EIC Worksheet. Cynthia and Jerry complete their worksheet as follows.

1. Cynthia and Jerry enter their total earned income (\$25,000) on line 1.

2. To find their credit, they go to the EIC Table (shown later in this publication). The part of the EIC Table they use is included as part of this example. They find their earned income of \$25,000 in the range of \$25,000 to \$25,050. They follow this line across to the column *Two children* under *Married filing jointly* and find \$5,254. They enter \$5,254 on line 2.
3. They enter on line 3 their AGI (\$25,525) and see that it is different from the amount on line 1.
4. They look up \$25,525 in the EIC Table and enter the amount of \$5,149 on line 5.
5. They enter \$5,149 on line 6. This is the smaller of the line 2 amount (\$5,254) and the line 5 amount (\$5,149).
6. The Greys enter \$5,149 on line 42a of their Form 1040A. They will now complete Schedule EIC (shown later) and attach it to their return. They will keep the EIC Worksheet for their records.

Excerpt from EIC Table for Example 2

If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—							
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		No Children	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	No Children	One Child	Two Children	Three Children
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
25,000	25,050	0	2,254	4,092	4,785	0	3,136	5,254	5,948
25,050	25,100	0	2,246	4,081	4,775	0	3,128	5,244	5,937
25,100	25,150	0	2,238	4,071	4,764	0	3,120	5,233	5,927
25,150	25,200	0	2,230	4,060	4,754	0	3,112	5,223	5,916
25,200	25,250	0	2,222	4,050	4,743	0	3,104	5,212	5,906
25,250	25,300	0	2,214	4,039	4,733	0	3,096	5,202	5,895
25,300	25,350	0	2,206	4,029	4,722	0	3,088	5,191	5,885
25,350	25,400	0	2,198	4,018	4,711	0	3,080	5,181	5,874
25,400	25,450	0	2,190	4,007	4,701	0	3,072	5,170	5,863
25,450	25,500	0	2,182	3,997	4,690	0	3,064	5,159	5,853
25,500	25,550	0	2,174	3,986	4,680	0	3,056	5,149	5,842
25,550	25,600	0	2,166	3,976	4,669	0	3,048	5,138	5,832
25,600	25,650	0	2,158	3,965	4,659	0	3,040	5,128	5,821
25,650	25,700	0	2,150	3,955	4,648	0	3,032	5,117	5,811
25,700	25,750	0	2,142	3,944	4,638	0	3,024	5,107	5,800



Part 1

All Filers

1. Enter your earned income from Step 5.

1	25,000
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2. Look up the amount on line 1 in the EIC Table to find the credit. Be sure you use the correct column for your filing status and the number of children you have. Enter the credit here.

2	5,254
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If line 2 is zero, You cannot take the credit. Enter “No” to the left of the entry space for line 42a.

3. Enter the amount from Form 1040A, line 22.

3	25,525
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4. Are the amounts on lines 3 and 1 the same?
 Yes. Skip line 5; enter the amount from line 2 on line 6.
 No. Go to line 5.

Part 2

Filers Who Answered “No” on Line 4

5. If you have:
 • No qualifying children, is the amount on line 3 less than \$8,250 (\$13,750 if married filing jointly)?
 • 1 or more qualifying children, is the amount on line 3 less than \$18,150 (\$23,650 if married filing jointly)?
 Yes. Leave line 5 blank; enter the amount from line 2 on line 6.
 No. Look up the amount on line 3 in the EIC Table to find the credit. Be sure you use the correct column for your filing status and the number of children you have. Enter the credit here.

5	5,149
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Look at the amounts on lines 5 and 2. Then, enter the smaller amount on line 6.

Part 3

Your Earned Income Credit

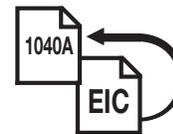
6. This is your earned income credit.

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Enter this amount on Form 1040A, line 42a.

Reminder—

✓ If you have a qualifying child, complete and attach Schedule EIC.

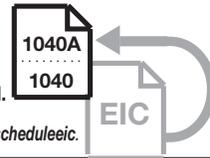


If your EIC for a year after 1996 was reduced or disallowed, see Form 8862, who must file, earlier, to find out if you must file Form 8862 to take the credit for 2015.

Filed-in Schedule EIC—Cynthia and Jerry Grey

SCHEDULE EIC
(Form 1040A or 1040)

Earned Income Credit
Qualifying Child Information



OMB No. 1545-0074

2015

Attachment
Sequence No. **43**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

- ▶ Complete and attach to Form 1040A or 1040 only if you have a qualifying child.
- ▶ Information about Schedule EIC (Form 1040A or 1040) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/scheduleeic.

Name(s) shown on return

Cynthia and Jerry Grey

Your social security number

333-00-5555

Before you begin:

- See the instructions for Form 1040A, lines 42a and 42b, or Form 1040, lines 66a and 66b, to make sure that (a) you can take the EIC, and (b) you have a qualifying child.
- Be sure the child's name on line 1 and social security number (SSN) on line 2 agree with the child's social security card. Otherwise, at the time we process your return, we may reduce or disallow your EIC. If the name or SSN on the child's social security card is not correct, call the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213.



- You can't claim the EIC for a child who didn't live with you for more than half of the year.
- If you take the EIC even though you are not eligible, you may not be allowed to take the credit for up to 10 years. See the instructions for details.
- It will take us longer to process your return and issue your refund if you do not fill in all lines that apply for each qualifying child.

Qualifying Child Information

Child 1

Child 2

Child 3

	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3
1 Child's name If you have more than three qualifying children, you have to list only three to get the maximum credit.	First name: Kirk, Last name: Grey	First name: Susanne, Last name: Grey	First name: , Last name:
2 Child's SSN The child must have an SSN as defined in the instructions for Form 1040A, lines 42a and 42b, or Form 1040, lines 66a and 66b, unless the child was born and died in 2015. If your child was born and died in 2015 and did not have an SSN, enter "Died" on this line and attach a copy of the child's birth certificate, death certificate, or hospital medical records.	123-00-5678	800-00-4321	
3 Child's year of birth	Year <u>2 0 0 7</u> <i>If born after 1996 and the child is younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly), skip lines 4a and 4b; go to line 5.</i>	Year <u>2 0 0 9</u> <i>If born after 1996 and the child is younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly), skip lines 4a and 4b; go to line 5.</i>	Year _____ <i>If born after 1996 and the child is younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly), skip lines 4a and 4b; go to line 5.</i>
4 a Was the child under age 24 at the end of 2015, a student, and younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. <i>Go to line 5. Go to line 4b.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. <i>Go to line 5. Go to line 4b.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. <i>Go to line 5. Go to line 4b.</i>
b Was the child permanently and totally disabled during any part of 2015?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. <i>Go to line 5. The child is not a qualifying child.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. <i>Go to line 5. The child is not a qualifying child.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. <i>Go to line 5. The child is not a qualifying child.</i>
5 Child's relationship to you (for example, son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew, foster child, etc.)	son	daughter	
6 Number of months child lived with you in the United States during 2015 • If the child lived with you for more than half of 2015 but less than 7 months, enter "7." • If the child was born or died in 2015 and your home was the child's home for more than half the time he or she was alive during 2015, enter "12."	<u>12</u> months <i>Do not enter more than 12 months.</i>	<u>12</u> months <i>Do not enter more than 12 months.</i>	_____ months <i>Do not enter more than 12 months.</i>

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see your tax return instructions.

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Schedule EIC (Form 1040A or 1040) 2015

7.

How To Get Tax Help

If you have questions about a tax issue, need help preparing your tax return, or want to download free publications, forms, or instructions, go to IRS.gov and find resources that can help you right away.

Preparing and filing your tax return. Find free options to prepare and file your return on IRS.gov or in your local community if you qualify.

- Go to IRS.gov and click on the Filing tab to see your options.
- Enter “Free File” in the search box to see whether you can use brand-name software to prepare and *e-file* your federal tax return for free.
- Enter “VITA” in the search box, download the free IRS2Go app, or call 1-800-906-9887 to find the nearest Volunteer Income Tax Assistance or Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) location for free tax preparation.
- Enter “TCE” in the search box, download the free IRS2Go app, or call 1-888-227-7669 to find the nearest Tax Counseling for the Elderly location for free tax preparation.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited-English-speaking taxpayers who need help preparing their own tax returns. The Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) program offers free tax help for all taxpayers, particularly those who are 60 years of age and older. TCE volunteers specialize in answering questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors.



Getting answers to your tax law questions. On IRS.gov, get answers to your tax questions anytime, anywhere.

- Go to www.irs.gov/Help-&-Resources for a variety of tools that will help you with your taxes.
- Enter “ITA” in the search box on IRS.gov for the Interactive Tax Assistant, a tool that will ask you questions on a number of tax law topics and provide answers. You can print the entire interview and the final response.
- Enter “Pub 17” in the search box on IRS.gov to get Pub. 17, Your Federal Income Tax for Individuals, which features details on tax-saving opportunities, 2015 tax changes, and thousands of interactive links to help you find answers to your questions.
- Additionally, you may be able to access tax law information in your electronic filing software.

Tax forms and publications. You can download or print all of the forms and publications you may need on www.irs.gov/formspubs. Otherwise, you can go to www.irs.gov/orderforms to place an order and have forms mailed to you. You should receive your order within 10 business days.

Direct Deposit. The fastest way to receive a tax refund is by combining direct deposit and IRS *e-file*. Direct deposit securely and electronically transfers your refund directly into your financial account. Eight in 10 taxpayers use direct deposit to receive their refund. The majority of refunds are received within 21 days or less.

Getting a transcript or copy of a return.

- Go to IRS.gov and click on “Get a Tax Transcript” under “Tools.”
- Call the transcript toll-free line at 1-800-908-9946.
- Mail Form 4506-T or Form 4506T-EZ (both available on IRS.gov).

Using online tools to help prepare your return. Go to IRS.gov and click on the Tools bar to use these and other self-service options.

- The [Earned Income Tax Credit Assistant](#) determines if you are eligible for the EIC.
- The [Online EIN Application](#) helps you get an employer identification number.
- The [IRS Withholding Calculator](#) estimates the amount you should have withheld from your paycheck for federal income tax purposes.
- The [Electronic Filing PIN Request](#) helps to verify your identity when you do not have your prior year AGI or prior year self-selected PIN available.
- The [First Time Homebuyer Credit Account Look-up](#) tool provides information on your repayments and account balance.

For help with the alternative minimum tax, go to IRS.gov/AMT.

Understanding identity theft issues.

- Go to www.irs.gov/uac/Identity-Protection for information and videos.
- If your SSN has been lost or stolen or you suspect you are a victim of tax-related identity theft, visit www.irs.gov/identitytheft to learn what steps you should take.

Checking on the status of a refund.

- Go to www.irs.gov/refunds.
- Download the free IRS2Go app to your smart phone and use it to check your refund status.
- Call the automated refund hotline at 1-800-829-1954.

Making a tax payment. The IRS uses the latest encryption technology so electronic payments are safe and secure. You can make electronic payments online, by phone, or from a mobile device. Paying electronically is quick, easy, and faster than mailing in a check or money order. Go to www.irs.gov/payments to make a payment using any of the following options.

- **IRS Direct Pay** (for individual taxpayers who have a checking or savings account).
- **Debit or credit card** (approved payment processors online or by phone).
- **Electronic Funds Withdrawal** (available during *e-file*).
- **Electronic Federal Tax Payment System** (best option for businesses; enrollment required).
- **Check or money order.**

IRS2Go provides access to mobile-friendly payment options like IRS Direct Pay, offering you a free, secure way to pay directly from your bank account. You can also make debit or credit card payments through an approved payment processor. Simply download IRS2Go from Google Play, the Apple App Store, or the Amazon Appstore, and make your payments anytime, anywhere.

What if I can't pay now? Click on the “Pay Your Tax Bill” icon on IRS.gov for more information about these additional options.

- Apply for an [online payment agreement](#) to meet your tax obligation in monthly installments if you cannot pay your taxes in full today. Once you complete the online process, you will receive immediate notification of whether your agreement has been approved.
- An offer in compromise allows you to settle your tax debt for less than the full amount you owe. Use the [Offer in Compromise Pre-Qualifier](#) to confirm your eligibility.

Checking the status of an amended return. Go to IRS.gov and click on the Tools tab and then [Where's My Amended Return?](#)

Understanding an IRS notice or letter. Enter “Understanding your notice” in the search box on IRS.gov to find additional information about your IRS notice or letter.

Visiting the IRS. Locate the nearest Taxpayer Assistance Center using the Office Locator tool on IRS.gov. Enter “office locator” in the search box. Or choose the “Contact Us” option on the IRS2Go app and search Local Offices. Before you visit, use the Locator tool to check hours and services available.

Watching IRS videos. The IRS Video portal www.irsvideos.gov contains video and audio presentations for individuals, small businesses, and tax professionals. You'll find video clips of tax topics, archived versions of panel discussions and Webinars, and audio archives of tax practitioner phone forums.

Getting tax information in other languages. For taxpayers whose native language is not English, we have the following resources available.

1. Taxpayers can find information on IRS.gov in the following languages.
 - a. [Spanish](#).
 - b. [Chinese](#).
 - c. [Vietnamese](#).
 - d. [Korean](#).
 - e. [Russian](#).
2. The IRS Taxpayer Assistance Centers provide over-the-phone interpreter service in over 170 languages, and the service is available free to taxpayers.

The Taxpayer Advocate Service Is Here To Help You

What is the Taxpayer Advocate Service?

The Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) is an *independent* organization within the Internal Revenue Service that helps taxpayers and protects taxpayer rights. Our job is to ensure that every taxpayer is treated fairly and that you know and understand your rights under the [Taxpayer Bill of Rights](#).

What Can the Taxpayer Advocate Service Do For You?

We can help you resolve problems that you can't resolve with the IRS. And our service is free. If you qualify for our assistance, you will be assigned to one advocate who will work with you throughout the process and will do everything possible to resolve your issue. TAS can help you if:

- Your problem is causing financial difficulty for you, your family, or your business,
- You face (or your business is facing) an immediate threat of adverse action, or
- You've tried repeatedly to contact the IRS but no one has responded, or the IRS hasn't responded by the date promised.

How Can You Reach Us?

We have offices [in every state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico](#). Your local advocate's number is in your local directory and at www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov. You can also call us at 1-877-777-4778.

How Can You Learn About Your Taxpayer Rights?

The Taxpayer Bill of Rights describes ten basic rights that all taxpayers have when dealing with the IRS. Our Tax Toolkit at www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov can help you understand [what these rights mean to you](#) and how they apply. These are **your** rights. Know them. Use them.

How Else Does the Taxpayer Advocate Service Help Taxpayers?

TAS works to resolve large-scale problems that affect many taxpayers. If you know of one of these broad issues, please report it to us at www.irs.gov/sams.

Low Income Taxpayer Clinics

Low Income Taxpayer Clinics (LITCs) serve individuals whose income is below a certain level and need to resolve tax problems such as audits, appeals, and tax collection disputes. Some clinics can provide information about taxpayer rights and responsibilities in different languages for individuals who speak English as a second language. To find a clinic near you, visit www.irs.gov/litc or see IRS Publication 4134, [Low Income Taxpayer Clinic List](#).

EIC Eligibility Checklist

Keep for Your Records 

You may claim the EIC if you answer "Yes" to all the following questions.*

	Yes	No
1. Is your AGI less than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$14,820 (\$20,330 for married filing jointly) if you don't have a qualifying child, • \$39,131 (\$44,651 for married filing jointly) if you have one qualifying child, • \$44,454 (\$49,974 for married filing jointly) if you have two qualifying children, or • \$47,747 (\$53,267 for married filing jointly) if you have more than two qualifying children? (See Rule 1 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you and your spouse each have a valid SSN that you got by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions)? (See Rule 2 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is your filing status married filing jointly, head of household, qualifying widow(er), or single? (See Rule 3 .) Caution: If you or your spouse is a nonresident alien, answer " Yes " only if your filing status is married filing jointly. (See Rule 4 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Answer " Yes " if you aren't filing Form 2555 or Form 2555-EZ. Otherwise, answer " No ." (See Rule 5 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is your investment income \$3,400 or less? (See Rule 6 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is your total earned income at least \$1 but less than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$14,820 (\$20,330 for married filing jointly) if you don't have a qualifying child, • \$39,131 (\$44,651 for married filing jointly) if you have one qualifying child, • \$44,454 (\$49,974 for married filing jointly) if you have two qualifying children, or • \$47,747 (\$53,267 for married filing jointly) if you have more than two qualifying children? (See Rules 7 and 15 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Answer " Yes " if (a) you aren't a qualifying child of another taxpayer or (b) you are filing a joint return. Otherwise, answer " No ." (See Rules 10 and 13 .) STOP: If you have a qualifying child, answer questions 8 and 9 and skip 10–12. If you don't have a qualifying child, skip questions 8 and 9 and answer 10–12.*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Does your child meet the relationship, age, residency, and joint return tests for a qualifying child and have a valid SSN that he or she got by the due date of your 2015 return (including extensions)? (See Rule 8 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Is your child a qualifying child only for you? Answer " Yes " if (a) your qualifying child doesn't meet the tests to be a qualifying child of any other person or (b) your qualifying child meets the tests to be a qualifying child of another person but you are the person entitled to treat the child as a qualifying child under the tiebreaker rules explained in Rule 9 . Answer " No " if the other person is the one entitled to treat the child as a qualifying child under the tiebreaker rules.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Were you (or your spouse if filing a joint return) at least age 25 but under age 65 at the end of 2015? (See Rule 11 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Answer " Yes " if (a) you cannot be claimed as a dependent on anyone else's return or (b) you are filing a joint return. Otherwise, answer " No ." (See Rule 12 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Was your main home (and your spouse's if filing a joint return) in the United States for more than half the year? (See Rule 14 .)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

***PERSONS WITH A QUALIFYING CHILD:** If you answered "**Yes**" to questions 1 through 9, you can claim the EIC. (If you have more than one child, you can claim the EIC as long as you answer "**Yes**" to questions 1 through 7 and can answer "**Yes**" to questions 8 and 9 for at least one child.) Remember to fill out Schedule EIC and attach it to your Form 1040 or Form 1040A. You cannot use Form 1040EZ. If you answered "**Yes**" to questions 1 through 7 and "**No**" to question 8, answer questions 10 through 12 to see if you can claim the EIC without a qualifying child.

PERSONS WITHOUT A QUALIFYING CHILD: If you answered "**Yes**" to questions 1 through 7, and 10 through 12, you can claim the EIC.

If you answered "No" to any question that applies to you: You cannot claim the EIC.

2015 Earned Income Credit (EIC)

Table

Caution. This is not a tax table.

1. To find your credit, read down the "At least - But less than" columns and find the line that includes the amount you were told to look up from your EIC Worksheet.

2. Then, go to the column that includes your filing status and the number of qualifying children you have. Enter the credit from that column on your EIC Worksheet.

Example. If your filing status is single, you have one qualifying child, and the amount you are looking up from your EIC Worksheet is \$2,455, you would enter \$842.

If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—			
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and the number of children you have is—			
		0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—			
2,400	2,450	186	825	970	1,091
2,450	2,500	189	842	990	1,114

If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—							
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
\$1	\$50	\$2	\$9	\$10	\$11	\$2	\$9	\$10	\$11
50	100	6	26	30	34	6	26	30	34
100	150	10	43	50	56	10	43	50	56
150	200	13	60	70	79	13	60	70	79
200	250	17	77	90	101	17	77	90	101
250	300	21	94	110	124	21	94	110	124
300	350	25	111	130	146	25	111	130	146
350	400	29	128	150	169	29	128	150	169
400	450	33	145	170	191	33	145	170	191
450	500	36	162	190	214	36	162	190	214
500	550	40	179	210	236	40	179	210	236
550	600	44	196	230	259	44	196	230	259
600	650	48	213	250	281	48	213	250	281
650	700	52	230	270	304	52	230	270	304
700	750	55	247	290	326	55	247	290	326
750	800	59	264	310	349	59	264	310	349
800	850	63	281	330	371	63	281	330	371
850	900	67	298	350	394	67	298	350	394
900	950	71	315	370	416	71	315	370	416
950	1,000	75	332	390	439	75	332	390	439
1,000	1,050	78	349	410	461	78	349	410	461
1,050	1,100	82	366	430	484	82	366	430	484
1,100	1,150	86	383	450	506	86	383	450	506
1,150	1,200	90	400	470	529	90	400	470	529
1,200	1,250	94	417	490	551	94	417	490	551
1,250	1,300	98	434	510	574	98	434	510	574
1,300	1,350	101	451	530	596	101	451	530	596
1,350	1,400	105	468	550	619	105	468	550	619
1,400	1,450	109	485	570	641	109	485	570	641
1,450	1,500	113	502	590	664	113	502	590	664
1,500	1,550	117	519	610	686	117	519	610	686
1,550	1,600	120	536	630	709	120	536	630	709
1,600	1,650	124	553	650	731	124	553	650	731
1,650	1,700	128	570	670	754	128	570	670	754
1,700	1,750	132	587	690	776	132	587	690	776
1,750	1,800	136	604	710	799	136	604	710	799
1,800	1,850	140	621	730	821	140	621	730	821
1,850	1,900	143	638	750	844	143	638	750	844
1,900	1,950	147	655	770	866	147	655	770	866
1,950	2,000	151	672	790	889	151	672	790	889
2,000	2,050	155	689	810	911	155	689	810	911
2,050	2,100	159	706	830	934	159	706	830	934
2,100	2,150	163	723	850	956	163	723	850	956
2,150	2,200	166	740	870	979	166	740	870	979
2,200	2,250	170	757	890	1,001	170	757	890	1,001
2,250	2,300	174	774	910	1,024	174	774	910	1,024
2,300	2,350	178	791	930	1,046	178	791	930	1,046
2,350	2,400	182	808	950	1,069	182	808	950	1,069
2,400	2,450	186	825	970	1,091	186	825	970	1,091
2,450	2,500	189	842	990	1,114	189	842	990	1,114
2,500	2,550	193	859	1,010	1,136	193	859	1,010	1,136
2,550	2,600	197	876	1,030	1,159	197	876	1,030	1,159
2,600	2,650	201	893	1,050	1,181	201	893	1,050	1,181
2,650	2,700	205	910	1,070	1,204	205	910	1,070	1,204
2,700	2,750	208	927	1,090	1,226	208	927	1,090	1,226
2,750	2,800	212	944	1,110	1,249	212	944	1,110	1,249
2,800	2,850	216	961	1,130	1,271	216	961	1,130	1,271
2,850	2,900	220	978	1,150	1,294	220	978	1,150	1,294
2,900	2,950	224	995	1,170	1,316	224	995	1,170	1,316
2,950	3,000	228	1,012	1,190	1,339	228	1,012	1,190	1,339
3,000	3,050	231	1,029	1,210	1,361	231	1,029	1,210	1,361
3,050	3,100	235	1,046	1,230	1,384	235	1,046	1,230	1,384
3,100	3,150	239	1,063	1,250	1,406	239	1,063	1,250	1,406
3,150	3,200	243	1,080	1,270	1,429	243	1,080	1,270	1,429

If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—							
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
3,200	3,250	247	1,097	1,290	1,451	247	1,097	1,290	1,451
3,250	3,300	251	1,114	1,310	1,474	251	1,114	1,310	1,474
3,300	3,350	254	1,131	1,330	1,496	254	1,131	1,330	1,496
3,350	3,400	258	1,148	1,350	1,519	258	1,148	1,350	1,519
3,400	3,450	262	1,165	1,370	1,541	262	1,165	1,370	1,541
3,450	3,500	266	1,182	1,390	1,564	266	1,182	1,390	1,564
3,500	3,550	270	1,199	1,410	1,586	270	1,199	1,410	1,586
3,550	3,600	273	1,216	1,430	1,609	273	1,216	1,430	1,609
3,600	3,650	277	1,233	1,450	1,631	277	1,233	1,450	1,631
3,650	3,700	281	1,250	1,470	1,654	281	1,250	1,470	1,654
3,700	3,750	285	1,267	1,490	1,676	285	1,267	1,490	1,676
3,750	3,800	289	1,284	1,510	1,699	289	1,284	1,510	1,699
3,800	3,850	293	1,301	1,530	1,721	293	1,301	1,530	1,721
3,850	3,900	296	1,318	1,550	1,744	296	1,318	1,550	1,744
3,900	3,950	300	1,335	1,570	1,766	300	1,335	1,570	1,766
3,950	4,000	304	1,352	1,590	1,789	304	1,352	1,590	1,789
4,000	4,050	308	1,369	1,610	1,811	308	1,369	1,610	1,811
4,050	4,100	312	1,386	1,630	1,834	312	1,386	1,630	1,834
4,100	4,150	316	1,403	1,650	1,856	316	1,403	1,650	1,856
4,150	4,200	319	1,420	1,670	1,879	319	1,420	1,670	1,879
4,200	4,250	323	1,437	1,690	1,901	323	1,437	1,690	1,901
4,250	4,300	327	1,454	1,710	1,924	327	1,454	1,710	1,924
4,300	4,350	331	1,471	1,730	1,946	331	1,471	1,730	1,946
4,350	4,400	335	1,488	1,750	1,969	335	1,488	1,750	1,969
4,400	4,450	339	1,505	1,770	1,991	339	1,505	1,770	1,991
4,450	4,500	342	1,522	1,790	2,014	342	1,522	1,790	2,014
4,500	4,550	346	1,539	1,810	2,036	346	1,539	1,810	2,036
4,550	4,600	350	1,556	1,830	2,059	350	1,556	1,830	2,059
4,600	4,650	354	1,573	1,850	2,081	354	1,573	1,850	2,081
4,650	4,700	358	1,590	1,870	2,104	358	1,590	1,870	2,104
4,700	4,750	361	1,607	1,890	2,126	361	1,607	1,890	2,126
4,750	4,800	365	1,624	1,910	2,149	365	1,624	1,910	2,149
4,800	4,850	369	1,641	1,930	2,171	369	1,641	1,930	2,171
4,850	4,900	373	1,658	1,950	2,194	373	1,658	1,950	2,194
4,900	4,950	377	1,675	1,970	2,216	377	1,675	1,970	2,216
4,950	5,000	381	1,692	1,990	2,239	381	1,692	1,990	2,239
5,000	5,050	384	1,709	2,010	2,261	384	1,709	2,010	2,261
5,050	5,100	388	1,726	2,030	2,284	388	1,726	2,030	2,284
5,100	5,150	392	1,743	2,050	2,306	392	1,743	2,050	2,306
5,150	5,200	396	1,760	2,070	2,329	396	1,760	2,070	2,329
5,200	5,250	400	1,777	2,090	2,351	400	1,777	2,090	2,351
5,250	5,300	404	1,794	2,110	2,374	404	1,794	2,110	2,374
5,300	5,350	407	1,811	2,130	2,396	407	1,811	2,130	2,396
5,350	5,400	411	1,828	2,150	2,419	411	1,828	2,150	2,419
5,400	5,450	415	1,845	2,170	2,441	415	1,845	2,170	2,441
5,450	5,500	419	1,862	2,190	2,464	419	1,862	2,190	2,464
5,500	5,550	423	1,879	2,210	2,486	423	1,879	2,210	2,486
5,550	5,600	426	1,896	2,230	2,509	426	1,896	2,230	2,509
5,600	5,650	430	1,913	2,250	2,531	430	1,913	2,250	2,531
5,650	5,700	434	1,930	2,270	2,554	434	1,930	2,270	2,554
5,700	5,750	438	1,947	2,290	2,576	438	1,947	2,290	2,576
5,750	5,800	442	1,964	2,310	2,599	442	1,964	2,310	2,599
5,800	5,850	446	1,981	2,330	2,621	446	1,981	2,330	2,621
5,850	5,900	449	1,998	2,350	2,644	449	1,998	2,350	2,644
5,900	5,950</								

Earned Income Credit (EIC) Table - Continued

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		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
6,400	6,450	492	2,185	2,570	2,891	492	2,185	2,570	2,891
6,450	6,500	495	2,202	2,590	2,914	495	2,202	2,590	2,914
6,500	6,550	499	2,219	2,610	2,936	499	2,219	2,610	2,936
6,550	6,600	503	2,236	2,630	2,959	503	2,236	2,630	2,959
6,600	6,650	503	2,253	2,650	2,981	503	2,253	2,650	2,981
6,650	6,700	503	2,270	2,670	3,004	503	2,270	2,670	3,004
6,700	6,750	503	2,287	2,690	3,026	503	2,287	2,690	3,026
6,750	6,800	503	2,304	2,710	3,049	503	2,304	2,710	3,049
6,800	6,850	503	2,321	2,730	3,071	503	2,321	2,730	3,071
6,850	6,900	503	2,338	2,750	3,094	503	2,338	2,750	3,094
6,900	6,950	503	2,355	2,770	3,116	503	2,355	2,770	3,116
6,950	7,000	503	2,372	2,790	3,139	503	2,372	2,790	3,139
7,000	7,050	503	2,389	2,810	3,161	503	2,389	2,810	3,161
7,050	7,100	503	2,406	2,830	3,184	503	2,406	2,830	3,184
7,100	7,150	503	2,423	2,850	3,206	503	2,423	2,850	3,206
7,150	7,200	503	2,440	2,870	3,229	503	2,440	2,870	3,229
7,200	7,250	503	2,457	2,890	3,251	503	2,457	2,890	3,251
7,250	7,300	503	2,474	2,910	3,274	503	2,474	2,910	3,274
7,300	7,350	503	2,491	2,930	3,296	503	2,491	2,930	3,296
7,350	7,400	503	2,508	2,950	3,319	503	2,508	2,950	3,319
7,400	7,450	503	2,525	2,970	3,341	503	2,525	2,970	3,341
7,450	7,500	503	2,542	2,990	3,364	503	2,542	2,990	3,364
7,500	7,550	503	2,559	3,010	3,386	503	2,559	3,010	3,386
7,550	7,600	503	2,576	3,030	3,409	503	2,576	3,030	3,409
7,600	7,650	503	2,593	3,050	3,431	503	2,593	3,050	3,431
7,650	7,700	503	2,610	3,070	3,454	503	2,610	3,070	3,454
7,700	7,750	503	2,627	3,090	3,476	503	2,627	3,090	3,476
7,750	7,800	503	2,644	3,110	3,499	503	2,644	3,110	3,499
7,800	7,850	503	2,661	3,130	3,521	503	2,661	3,130	3,521
7,850	7,900	503	2,678	3,150	3,544	503	2,678	3,150	3,544
7,900	7,950	503	2,695	3,170	3,566	503	2,695	3,170	3,566
7,950	8,000	503	2,712	3,190	3,589	503	2,712	3,190	3,589
8,000	8,050	503	2,729	3,210	3,611	503	2,729	3,210	3,611
8,050	8,100	503	2,746	3,230	3,634	503	2,746	3,230	3,634
8,100	8,150	503	2,763	3,250	3,656	503	2,763	3,250	3,656
8,150	8,200	503	2,780	3,270	3,679	503	2,780	3,270	3,679
8,200	8,250	503	2,797	3,290	3,701	503	2,797	3,290	3,701
8,250	8,300	501	2,814	3,310	3,724	503	2,814	3,310	3,724
8,300	8,350	497	2,831	3,330	3,746	503	2,831	3,330	3,746
8,350	8,400	493	2,848	3,350	3,769	503	2,848	3,350	3,769
8,400	8,450	489	2,865	3,370	3,791	503	2,865	3,370	3,791
8,450	8,500	485	2,882	3,390	3,814	503	2,882	3,390	3,814
8,500	8,550	482	2,899	3,410	3,836	503	2,899	3,410	3,836
8,550	8,600	478	2,916	3,430	3,859	503	2,916	3,430	3,859
8,600	8,650	474	2,933	3,450	3,881	503	2,933	3,450	3,881
8,650	8,700	470	2,950	3,470	3,904	503	2,950	3,470	3,904
8,700	8,750	466	2,967	3,490	3,926	503	2,967	3,490	3,926
8,750	8,800	462	2,984	3,510	3,949	503	2,984	3,510	3,949
8,800	8,850	459	3,001	3,530	3,971	503	3,001	3,530	3,971
8,850	8,900	455	3,018	3,550	3,994	503	3,018	3,550	3,994
8,900	8,950	451	3,035	3,570	4,016	503	3,035	3,570	4,016
8,950	9,000	447	3,052	3,590	4,039	503	3,052	3,590	4,039
9,000	9,050	443	3,069	3,610	4,061	503	3,069	3,610	4,061
9,050	9,100	439	3,086	3,630	4,084	503	3,086	3,630	4,084
9,100	9,150	436	3,103	3,650	4,106	503	3,103	3,650	4,106
9,150	9,200	432	3,120	3,670	4,129	503	3,120	3,670	4,129
9,200	9,250	428	3,137	3,690	4,151	503	3,137	3,690	4,151
9,250	9,300	424	3,154	3,710	4,174	503	3,154	3,710	4,174
9,300	9,350	420	3,171	3,730	4,196	503	3,171	3,730	4,196
9,350	9,400	417	3,188	3,750	4,219	503	3,188	3,750	4,219
9,400	9,450	413	3,205	3,770	4,241	503	3,205	3,770	4,241
9,450	9,500	409	3,222	3,790	4,264	503	3,222	3,790	4,264
9,500	9,550	405	3,239	3,810	4,286	503	3,239	3,810	4,286
9,550	9,600	401	3,256	3,830	4,309	503	3,256	3,830	4,309
9,600	9,650	397	3,273	3,850	4,331	503	3,273	3,850	4,331
9,650	9,700	394	3,290	3,870	4,354	503	3,290	3,870	4,354
9,700	9,750	390	3,307	3,890	4,376	503	3,307	3,890	4,376
9,750	9,800	386	3,324	3,910	4,399	503	3,324	3,910	4,399
9,800	9,850	382	3,341	3,930	4,421	503	3,341	3,930	4,421
9,850	9,900	378	3,359	3,950	4,444	503	3,359	3,950	4,444
9,900	9,950	374	3,376	3,970	4,466	503	3,376	3,970	4,466
9,950	10,000	371	3,393	3,990	4,489	503	3,393	3,990	4,489
10,000	10,050	367	3,359	4,010	4,511	503	3,359	4,010	4,511
10,050	10,100	363	3,359	4,030	4,534	503	3,359	4,030	4,534
10,100	10,150	359	3,359	4,050	4,556	503	3,359	4,050	4,556
10,150	10,200	355	3,359	4,070	4,579	503	3,359	4,070	4,579
10,200	10,250	352	3,359	4,090	4,601	503	3,359	4,090	4,601
10,250	10,300	348	3,359	4,110	4,624	503	3,359	4,110	4,624
10,300	10,350	344	3,359	4,130	4,646	503	3,359	4,130	4,646
10,350	10,400	340	3,359	4,150	4,669	503	3,359	4,150	4,669
10,400	10,450	336	3,359	4,170	4,691	503	3,359	4,170	4,691
10,450	10,500	332	3,359	4,190	4,714	503	3,359	4,190	4,714
10,500	10,550	329	3,359	4,210	4,736	503	3,359	4,210	4,736
10,550	10,600	325	3,359	4,230	4,759	503	3,359	4,230	4,759
10,600	10,650	321	3,359	4,250	4,781	503	3,359	4,250	4,781
10,650	10,700	317	3,359	4,270	4,804	503	3,359	4,270	4,804
10,700	10,750	313	3,359	4,290	4,826	503	3,359	4,290	4,826
10,750	10,800	309	3,359	4,310	4,849	503	3,359	4,310	4,849
10,800	10,850	306	3,359	4,330	4,871	503	3,359	4,330	4,871
10,850	10,900	302	3,359	4,350	4,894	503	3,359	4,350	4,894
10,900	10,950	298	3,359	4,370	4,916	503	3,359	4,370	4,916
10,950	11,000	294	3,359	4,390	4,939	503	3,359	4,390	4,939
11,000	11,050	290	3,359	4,410	4,961	503	3,359	4,410	4,961
11,050	11,100	286	3,359	4,430	4,984	503	3,359	4,430	4,984
11,100	11,150	283	3,359	4,450	5,006	503	3,359	4,450	5,006
11,150	11,200	279	3,359	4,470	5,029	503	3,359	4,470	5,029
11,200	11,250	275	3,359	4,490	5,051	503	3,359	4,490	5,051
11,250	11,300	271	3,359	4,510	5,074	503	3,359	4,510	5,074
11,300	11,350	267	3,359	4,530	5,096	503	3,359	4,530	5,096
11,350	11,400	264	3,359	4,550	5,119	503	3,359	4,550	5,119
11,400	11,450	260	3,359	4,570	5,141	503	3,359	4,570	5,141
11,450	11,500	256	3,359	4,590	5,164	503	3,359	4,590	5,164
11,500	11,550	252	3,359	4,610	5,186	503	3,359	4,610	5,186
11,550	11,600	248	3,359	4,630	5,209	503	3,359	4,630	5,209
11,600	11,650	244	3,359	4,650	5,231	503	3,359	4,650	5,231
11,650	11,700	241	3,359	4,670	5,254	503	3,359	4,670	5,254
11,700	11,750	237	3,359	4,690	5,276	503	3,359	4,690	5,276
11,750	11,800	233	3,359	4,710	5,299	503	3,359	4,710	5,299
11,800	11,850	229	3,359	4,730	5,321	503	3,359	4,730	5,321
11,850	11,900	225	3,359	4,750	5,344	503	3,359	4,750	5,344
11,900	11,950	221	3,359	4,770	5,366	503	3,359	4,770	5,366
11,950	12,000	218	3,359	4,790	5,389	503	3,359	4,790	5,389
12,000	12,050	214	3,359	4,810	5,411	503	3,359	4	

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		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
14,400	14,450	30	3,359	5,548	6,242	452	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,450	14,500	26	3,359	5,548	6,242	448	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,500	14,550	23	3,359	5,548	6,242	444	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,550	14,600	19	3,359	5,548	6,242	440	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,600	14,650	15	3,359	5,548	6,242	436	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,650	14,700	11	3,359	5,548	6,242	433	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,700	14,750	7	3,359	5,548	6,242	429	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,750	14,800	3	3,359	5,548	6,242	425	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,800	14,850	*	3,359	5,548	6,242	421	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,850	14,900	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	417	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,900	14,950	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	413	3,359	5,548	6,242
14,950	15,000	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	410	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,000	15,050	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	406	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,050	15,100	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	402	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,100	15,150	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	398	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,150	15,200	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	394	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,200	15,250	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	391	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,250	15,300	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	387	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,300	15,350	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	383	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,350	15,400	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	379	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,400	15,450	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	375	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,450	15,500	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	371	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,500	15,550	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	368	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,550	15,600	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	364	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,600	15,650	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	360	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,650	15,700	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	356	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,700	15,750	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	352	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,750	15,800	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	348	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,800	15,850	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	345	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,850	15,900	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	341	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,900	15,950	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	337	3,359	5,548	6,242
15,950	16,000	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	333	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,000	16,050	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	329	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,050	16,100	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	326	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,100	16,150	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	322	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,150	16,200	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	318	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,200	16,250	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	314	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,250	16,300	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	310	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,300	16,350	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	306	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,350	16,400	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	303	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,400	16,450	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	299	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,450	16,500	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	295	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,500	16,550	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	291	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,550	16,600	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	287	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,600	16,650	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	283	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,650	16,700	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	280	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,700	16,750	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	276	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,750	16,800	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	272	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,800	16,850	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	268	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,850	16,900	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	264	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,900	16,950	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	260	3,359	5,548	6,242
16,950	17,000	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	257	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,000	17,050	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	253	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,050	17,100	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	249	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,100	17,150	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	245	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,150	17,200	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	241	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,200	17,250	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	238	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,250	17,300	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	234	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,300	17,350	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	230	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,350	17,400	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	226	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,400	17,450	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	222	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,450	17,500	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	218	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,500	17,550	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	215	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,550	17,600	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	211	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,600	17,650	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	207	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,650	17,700	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	203	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,700	17,750	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	199	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,750	17,800	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	195	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,800	17,850	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	192	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,850	17,900	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	188	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,900	17,950	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	184	3,359	5,548	6,242
17,950	18,000	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	180	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,000	18,050	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	176	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,050	18,100	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	173	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,100	18,150	0	3,359	5,548	6,242	169	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,150	18,200	0	3,349	5,534	6,228	165	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,200	18,250	0	3,341	5,524	6,217	161	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,250	18,300	0	3,333	5,513	6,207	157	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,300	18,350	0	3,325	5,503	6,196	153	3,359	5,548	6,242
18,350	18,400	0	3,317	5,492	6,186	150	3,359	5,548	6,242

* If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is at least \$14,800 but less than \$14,820, and you have no qualifying children, your credit is \$1. If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is \$14,820 or more, and you have no qualifying children, you can't take the credit.

** If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is at least \$20,300 but less than \$20,330, and you have no qualifying children, your credit is \$1. If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is \$20,330 or more, and you have no qualifying children, you can't take the credit.

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Earned Income Credit (EIC) Table - Continued

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If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—							
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
22,400	22,450	0	2,670	4,639	5,333	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,450	22,500	0	2,662	4,629	5,322	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,500	22,550	0	2,654	4,618	5,312	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,550	22,600	0	2,646	4,608	5,301	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,600	22,650	0	2,638	4,597	5,291	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,650	22,700	0	2,630	4,587	5,280	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,700	22,750	0	2,622	4,576	5,270	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,750	22,800	0	2,614	4,566	5,259	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,800	22,850	0	2,606	4,555	5,249	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,850	22,900	0	2,598	4,544	5,238	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,900	22,950	0	2,590	4,534	5,227	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
22,950	23,000	0	2,582	4,523	5,217	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,000	23,050	0	2,574	4,513	5,206	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,050	23,100	0	2,566	4,502	5,196	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,100	23,150	0	2,558	4,492	5,185	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,150	23,200	0	2,550	4,481	5,175	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,200	23,250	0	2,542	4,471	5,164	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,250	23,300	0	2,534	4,460	5,154	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,300	23,350	0	2,526	4,450	5,143	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,350	23,400	0	2,518	4,439	5,133	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,400	23,450	0	2,510	4,429	5,122	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,450	23,500	0	2,502	4,418	5,112	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,500	23,550	0	2,494	4,408	5,101	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,550	23,600	0	2,486	4,397	5,091	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,600	23,650	0	2,478	4,387	5,080	0	3,359	5,548	6,242
23,650	23,700	0	2,470	4,376	5,070	0	3,352	5,539	6,232
23,700	23,750	0	2,462	4,365	5,059	0	3,344	5,528	6,221
23,750	23,800	0	2,454	4,355	5,048	0	3,336	5,517	6,211
23,800	23,850	0	2,446	4,344	5,038	0	3,328	5,507	6,200
23,850	23,900	0	2,438	4,334	5,027	0	3,320	5,496	6,190
23,900	23,950	0	2,430	4,323	5,017	0	3,312	5,486	6,179
23,950	24,000	0	2,422	4,313	5,006	0	3,304	5,475	6,169
24,000	24,050	0	2,414	4,302	4,996	0	3,296	5,465	6,158
24,050	24,100	0	2,406	4,292	4,985	0	3,288	5,454	6,148
24,100	24,150	0	2,398	4,281	4,975	0	3,280	5,444	6,137
24,150	24,200	0	2,390	4,271	4,964	0	3,272	5,433	6,127
24,200	24,250	0	2,382	4,260	4,954	0	3,264	5,423	6,116
24,250	24,300	0	2,374	4,250	4,943	0	3,256	5,412	6,106
24,300	24,350	0	2,366	4,239	4,933	0	3,248	5,402	6,095
24,350	24,400	0	2,358	4,229	4,922	0	3,240	5,391	6,085
24,400	24,450	0	2,350	4,218	4,912	0	3,232	5,381	6,074
24,450	24,500	0	2,342	4,208	4,901	0	3,224	5,370	6,064
24,500	24,550	0	2,334	4,197	4,891	0	3,216	5,360	6,053
24,550	24,600	0	2,326	4,186	4,880	0	3,208	5,349	6,042
24,600	24,650	0	2,318	4,176	4,869	0	3,200	5,338	6,032
24,650	24,700	0	2,310	4,165	4,859	0	3,192	5,328	6,021
24,700	24,750	0	2,302	4,155	4,848	0	3,184	5,317	6,011
24,750	24,800	0	2,294	4,144	4,838	0	3,176	5,307	6,000
24,800	24,850	0	2,286	4,134	4,827	0	3,168	5,296	5,990
24,850	24,900	0	2,278	4,123	4,817	0	3,160	5,286	5,979
24,900	24,950	0	2,270	4,113	4,806	0	3,152	5,275	5,969
24,950	25,000	0	2,262	4,102	4,796	0	3,144	5,265	5,958
25,000	25,050	0	2,254	4,092	4,785	0	3,136	5,254	5,948
25,050	25,100	0	2,246	4,081	4,775	0	3,128	5,244	5,937
25,100	25,150	0	2,238	4,071	4,764	0	3,120	5,233	5,927
25,150	25,200	0	2,230	4,060	4,754	0	3,112	5,223	5,916
25,200	25,250	0	2,222	4,050	4,743	0	3,104	5,212	5,906
25,250	25,300	0	2,214	4,039	4,733	0	3,096	5,202	5,895
25,300	25,350	0	2,206	4,029	4,722	0	3,088	5,191	5,885
25,350	25,400	0	2,198	4,018	4,711	0	3,080	5,181	5,874
25,400	25,450	0	2,190	4,007	4,701	0	3,072	5,170	5,863
25,450	25,500	0	2,182	3,997	4,690	0	3,064	5,159	5,853
25,500	25,550	0	2,174	3,986	4,680	0	3,056	5,149	5,842
25,550	25,600	0	2,166	3,976	4,669	0	3,048	5,138	5,832
25,600	25,650	0	2,158	3,965	4,659	0	3,040	5,128	5,821
25,650	25,700	0	2,150	3,955	4,648	0	3,032	5,117	5,811
25,700	25,750	0	2,142	3,944	4,638	0	3,024	5,107	5,800
25,750	25,800	0	2,134	3,934	4,627	0	3,016	5,096	5,790
25,800	25,850	0	2,126	3,923	4,617	0	3,008	5,086	5,779
25,850	25,900	0	2,118	3,913	4,606	0	3,000	5,075	5,769
25,900	25,950	0	2,110	3,902	4,596	0	2,992	5,065	5,758
25,950	26,000	0	2,102	3,892	4,585	0	2,984	5,054	5,748
26,000	26,050	0	2,094	3,881	4,575	0	2,976	5,044	5,737
26,050	26,100	0	2,086	3,871	4,564	0	2,968	5,033	5,727
26,100	26,150	0	2,078	3,860	4,554	0	2,960	5,023	5,716
26,150	26,200	0	2,070	3,850	4,543	0	2,952	5,012	5,706
26,200	26,250	0	2,062	3,839	4,532	0	2,944	5,001	5,695
26,250	26,300	0	2,054	3,828	4,522	0	2,936	4,991	5,684
26,300	26,350	0	2,046	3,818	4,511	0	2,928	4,980	5,674
26,350	26,400	0	2,038	3,807	4,501	0	2,920	4,970	5,663
26,400	26,450	0	2,030	3,797	4,490	0	2,912	4,960	5,653
26,450	26,500	0	2,022	3,786	4,480	0	2,904	4,950	5,642
26,500	26,550	0	2,014	3,776	4,469	0	2,896	4,940	5,632
26,550	26,600	0	2,006	3,765	4,459	0	2,888	4,930	5,621
26,600	26,650	0	1,999	3,755	4,448	0	2,880	4,920	5,611
26,650	26,700	0	1,991	3,744	4,438	0	2,872	4,910	5,600
26,700	26,750	0	1,983	3,734	4,427	0	2,864	4,900	5,590
26,750	26,800	0	1,975	3,723	4,417	0	2,856	4,890	5,579
26,800	26,850	0	1,967	3,713	4,406	0	2,848	4,880	5,569
26,850	26,900	0	1,959	3,702	4,396	0	2,840	4,870	5,558
26,900	26,950	0	1,951	3,692	4,385	0	2,832	4,860	5,548
26,950	27,000	0	1,943	3,681	4,375	0	2,824	4,850	5,537
27,000	27,050	0	1,935	3,671	4,364	0	2,816	4,840	5,527
27,050	27,100	0	1,927	3,660	4,353	0	2,808	4,830	5,516
27,100	27,150	0	1,919	3,649	4,343	0	2,800	4,820	5,505
27,150	27,200	0	1,911	3,639	4,332	0	2,792	4,810	5,495
27,200	27,250	0	1,903	3,628	4,322	0	2,784	4,800	5,484
27,250	27,300	0	1,895	3,618	4,311	0	2,776	4,790	5,474
27,300	27,350	0	1,887	3,607	4,301	0	2,768	4,780	5,463
27,350	27,400	0	1,879	3,597	4,290	0	2,760	4,770	5,453
27,400	27,450	0	1,871	3,586	4,280	0	2,752	4,760	5,442
27,450	27,500	0	1,863	3,576	4,269	0	2,744	4,750	5,432
27,500	27,550	0	1,855	3,565	4,259	0	2,736	4,740	5,421
27,550	27,600	0	1,847	3,555	4,248	0	2,728	4,730	5,411
27,600	27,650	0	1,839	3,544	4,238	0	2,720	4,720	5,400
27,650	27,700	0	1,831	3,534	4,227	0	2,712	4,710	5,390
27,700	27,750	0	1,823	3,523	4,217	0	2,704	4,700	5,379
27,750	27,800	0	1,815	3,513	4,206	0	2,696	4,690	5,369
27,800	27,850	0	1,807	3,502	4,196	0	2,688	4,680	5,358
27,850	27,900	0	1,799	3,491	4,185	0	2,680	4,670	5,348
27,900	27,950	0	1,791	3,481	4,174	0	2,672	4,660	5,337
27,950	28,000	0	1,783	3,470	4,164	0	2,664	4,650	5,326
28,000	28,050	0	1,775	3,460	4,153	0	2,656	4,640	5,316
28,050	28,100	0	1,767	3,449	4,143	0	2,648	4,630	5,305
28,100	28,150	0	1,759	3,439	4,132	0	2,640	4,620	5,295
28,150	28,200	0	1,751	3,428	4,122	0	2,632		

Earned Income Credit (EIC) Table - Continued

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If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—							
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
30,400	30,450	0	1,391	2,954	3,648	0	2,273	4,117	4,810
30,450	30,500	0	1,383	2,944	3,637	0	2,265	4,106	4,800
30,500	30,550	0	1,375	2,933	3,627	0	2,257	4,096	4,789
30,550	30,600	0	1,367	2,923	3,616	0	2,249	4,085	4,779
30,600	30,650	0	1,359	2,912	3,606	0	2,241	4,075	4,768
30,650	30,700	0	1,351	2,902	3,595	0	2,233	4,064	4,758
30,700	30,750	0	1,343	2,891	3,585	0	2,225	4,054	4,747
30,750	30,800	0	1,335	2,881	3,574	0	2,217	4,043	4,737
30,800	30,850	0	1,327	2,870	3,564	0	2,209	4,033	4,726
30,850	30,900	0	1,319	2,860	3,553	0	2,201	4,022	4,716
30,900	30,950	0	1,311	2,849	3,543	0	2,193	4,012	4,705
30,950	31,000	0	1,303	2,839	3,532	0	2,185	4,001	4,695
31,000	31,050	0	1,295	2,828	3,522	0	2,177	3,991	4,684
31,050	31,100	0	1,287	2,818	3,511	0	2,169	3,980	4,674
31,100	31,150	0	1,279	2,807	3,501	0	2,161	3,970	4,663
31,150	31,200	0	1,271	2,797	3,490	0	2,154	3,959	4,653
31,200	31,250	0	1,263	2,786	3,479	0	2,146	3,948	4,642
31,250	31,300	0	1,255	2,775	3,469	0	2,138	3,938	4,631
31,300	31,350	0	1,247	2,765	3,458	0	2,130	3,927	4,621
31,350	31,400	0	1,239	2,754	3,448	0	2,122	3,917	4,610
31,400	31,450	0	1,231	2,744	3,437	0	2,114	3,906	4,600
31,450	31,500	0	1,223	2,733	3,427	0	2,106	3,896	4,589
31,500	31,550	0	1,215	2,723	3,416	0	2,098	3,885	4,579
31,550	31,600	0	1,207	2,712	3,406	0	2,090	3,875	4,568
31,600	31,650	0	1,200	2,702	3,395	0	2,082	3,864	4,558
31,650	31,700	0	1,192	2,691	3,385	0	2,074	3,854	4,547
31,700	31,750	0	1,184	2,681	3,374	0	2,066	3,843	4,537
31,750	31,800	0	1,176	2,670	3,364	0	2,058	3,833	4,526
31,800	31,850	0	1,168	2,660	3,353	0	2,050	3,822	4,516
31,850	31,900	0	1,160	2,649	3,343	0	2,042	3,812	4,505
31,900	31,950	0	1,152	2,639	3,332	0	2,034	3,801	4,495
31,950	32,000	0	1,144	2,628	3,322	0	2,026	3,791	4,484
32,000	32,050	0	1,136	2,618	3,311	0	2,018	3,780	4,474
32,050	32,100	0	1,128	2,607	3,300	0	2,010	3,769	4,463
32,100	32,150	0	1,120	2,596	3,290	0	2,002	3,759	4,452
32,150	32,200	0	1,112	2,586	3,279	0	1,994	3,748	4,442
32,200	32,250	0	1,104	2,575	3,269	0	1,986	3,738	4,431
32,250	32,300	0	1,096	2,565	3,258	0	1,978	3,727	4,421
32,300	32,350	0	1,088	2,554	3,248	0	1,970	3,717	4,410
32,350	32,400	0	1,080	2,544	3,237	0	1,962	3,706	4,400
32,400	32,450	0	1,072	2,533	3,227	0	1,954	3,696	4,389
32,450	32,500	0	1,064	2,523	3,216	0	1,946	3,685	4,379
32,500	32,550	0	1,056	2,512	3,206	0	1,938	3,675	4,368
32,550	32,600	0	1,048	2,502	3,195	0	1,930	3,664	4,358
32,600	32,650	0	1,040	2,491	3,185	0	1,922	3,654	4,347
32,650	32,700	0	1,032	2,481	3,174	0	1,914	3,643	4,337
32,700	32,750	0	1,024	2,470	3,164	0	1,906	3,633	4,326
32,750	32,800	0	1,016	2,460	3,153	0	1,898	3,622	4,316
32,800	32,850	0	1,008	2,449	3,143	0	1,890	3,612	4,305
32,850	32,900	0	1,000	2,438	3,132	0	1,882	3,601	4,295
32,900	32,950	0	992	2,428	3,121	0	1,874	3,590	4,284
32,950	33,000	0	984	2,417	3,111	0	1,866	3,580	4,273
33,000	33,050	0	976	2,407	3,100	0	1,858	3,569	4,263
33,050	33,100	0	968	2,396	3,090	0	1,850	3,559	4,252
33,100	33,150	0	960	2,386	3,079	0	1,842	3,548	4,242
33,150	33,200	0	952	2,375	3,069	0	1,834	3,538	4,231
33,200	33,250	0	944	2,365	3,058	0	1,826	3,527	4,221
33,250	33,300	0	936	2,354	3,048	0	1,818	3,517	4,210
33,300	33,350	0	928	2,344	3,037	0	1,810	3,506	4,200
33,350	33,400	0	920	2,333	3,027	0	1,802	3,496	4,189
33,400	33,450	0	912	2,323	3,016	0	1,794	3,485	4,179
33,450	33,500	0	904	2,312	3,006	0	1,786	3,475	4,168
33,500	33,550	0	896	2,302	2,995	0	1,778	3,464	4,158
33,550	33,600	0	888	2,291	2,985	0	1,770	3,454	4,147
33,600	33,650	0	880	2,281	2,974	0	1,762	3,443	4,137
33,650	33,700	0	872	2,270	2,964	0	1,754	3,433	4,126
33,700	33,750	0	864	2,259	2,953	0	1,746	3,422	4,115
33,750	33,800	0	856	2,249	2,942	0	1,738	3,411	4,105
33,800	33,850	0	848	2,238	2,932	0	1,730	3,401	4,094
33,850	33,900	0	840	2,228	2,921	0	1,722	3,390	4,084
33,900	33,950	0	832	2,217	2,911	0	1,714	3,380	4,073
33,950	34,000	0	824	2,207	2,900	0	1,706	3,369	4,063
34,000	34,050	0	816	2,196	2,890	0	1,698	3,359	4,052
34,050	34,100	0	808	2,186	2,879	0	1,690	3,348	4,042
34,100	34,150	0	800	2,175	2,869	0	1,682	3,338	4,031
34,150	34,200	0	792	2,165	2,858	0	1,674	3,327	4,021
34,200	34,250	0	784	2,154	2,848	0	1,666	3,317	4,010
34,250	34,300	0	776	2,144	2,837	0	1,658	3,306	4,000
34,300	34,350	0	768	2,133	2,827	0	1,650	3,296	3,989
34,350	34,400	0	760	2,123	2,816	0	1,642	3,285	3,979

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Earned Income Credit (EIC) Table - Continued

(Caution. This is not a tax table.)

If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—																	
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—													
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3										
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—													
38,400	38,450	0	113	1,270	1,963	0	995	2,432	3,126	42,400	42,450	0	0	427	1,121	0	356	1,590	2,283
38,450	38,500	0	105	1,259	1,953	0	987	2,422	3,115	42,450	42,500	0	0	417	1,110	0	348	1,579	2,273
38,500	38,550	0	97	1,249	1,942	0	979	2,411	3,105	42,500	42,550	0	0	406	1,100	0	340	1,569	2,262
38,550	38,600	0	89	1,238	1,932	0	971	2,401	3,094	42,550	42,600	0	0	396	1,089	0	332	1,558	2,252
38,600	38,650	0	81	1,228	1,921	0	963	2,390	3,084	42,600	42,650	0	0	385	1,079	0	324	1,548	2,241
38,650	38,700	0	73	1,217	1,911	0	955	2,380	3,073	42,650	42,700	0	0	375	1,068	0	316	1,537	2,231
38,700	38,750	0	65	1,206	1,900	0	947	2,369	3,062	42,700	42,750	0	0	364	1,058	0	308	1,527	2,220
38,750	38,800	0	57	1,196	1,889	0	939	2,358	3,052	42,750	42,800	0	0	354	1,047	0	300	1,516	2,210
38,800	38,850	0	49	1,185	1,879	0	931	2,348	3,041	42,800	42,850	0	0	343	1,037	0	292	1,506	2,199
38,850	38,900	0	41	1,175	1,868	0	923	2,337	3,031	42,850	42,900	0	0	332	1,026	0	284	1,495	2,189
38,900	38,950	0	33	1,164	1,858	0	915	2,327	3,020	42,900	42,950	0	0	322	1,015	0	276	1,484	2,178
38,950	39,000	0	25	1,154	1,847	0	907	2,316	3,010	42,950	43,000	0	0	311	1,005	0	268	1,474	2,167
39,000	39,050	0	17	1,143	1,837	0	899	2,306	2,999	43,000	43,050	0	0	301	994	0	260	1,463	2,157
39,050	39,100	0	9	1,133	1,826	0	891	2,295	2,989	43,050	43,100	0	0	290	984	0	252	1,453	2,146
39,100	39,150	0	0	1,122	1,816	0	883	2,285	2,978	43,100	43,150	0	0	280	973	0	244	1,442	2,136
39,150	39,200	0	0	1,112	1,805	0	875	2,274	2,968	43,150	43,200	0	0	269	963	0	236	1,432	2,125
39,200	39,250	0	0	1,101	1,795	0	867	2,264	2,957	43,200	43,250	0	0	259	952	0	228	1,421	2,115
39,250	39,300	0	0	1,091	1,784	0	859	2,253	2,947	43,250	43,300	0	0	248	942	0	220	1,411	2,104
39,300	39,350	0	0	1,080	1,774	0	851	2,243	2,936	43,300	43,350	0	0	238	931	0	212	1,400	2,094
39,350	39,400	0	0	1,070	1,763	0	843	2,232	2,926	43,350	43,400	0	0	227	921	0	204	1,390	2,083
39,400	39,450	0	0	1,059	1,753	0	835	2,222	2,915	43,400	43,450	0	0	217	910	0	196	1,379	2,073
39,450	39,500	0	0	1,049	1,742	0	827	2,211	2,905	43,450	43,500	0	0	206	900	0	188	1,369	2,062
39,500	39,550	0	0	1,038	1,732	0	819	2,201	2,894	43,500	43,550	0	0	196	889	0	180	1,358	2,052
39,550	39,600	0	0	1,027	1,721	0	811	2,190	2,883	43,550	43,600	0	0	185	879	0	172	1,348	2,041
39,600	39,650	0	0	1,017	1,710	0	803	2,179	2,873	43,600	43,650	0	0	175	868	0	164	1,337	2,031
39,650	39,700	0	0	1,006	1,700	0	795	2,169	2,862	43,650	43,700	0	0	164	858	0	156	1,327	2,020
39,700	39,750	0	0	996	1,689	0	787	2,158	2,852	43,700	43,750	0	0	153	847	0	148	1,316	2,009
39,750	39,800	0	0	985	1,679	0	779	2,148	2,841	43,750	43,800	0	0	143	836	0	140	1,305	1,999
39,800	39,850	0	0	975	1,668	0	771	2,137	2,831	43,800	43,850	0	0	132	826	0	132	1,295	1,988
39,850	39,900	0	0	964	1,658	0	763	2,127	2,820	43,850	43,900	0	0	122	815	0	124	1,284	1,978
39,900	39,950	0	0	954	1,647	0	755	2,116	2,810	43,900	43,950	0	0	111	805	0	116	1,274	1,967
39,950	40,000	0	0	943	1,637	0	747	2,106	2,799	43,950	44,000	0	0	101	794	0	108	1,263	1,957
40,000	40,050	0	0	933	1,626	0	739	2,095	2,789	44,000	44,050	0	0	90	784	0	100	1,253	1,946
40,050	40,100	0	0	922	1,616	0	731	2,085	2,778	44,050	44,100	0	0	80	773	0	92	1,242	1,936
40,100	40,150	0	0	912	1,605	0	723	2,074	2,768	44,100	44,150	0	0	69	763	0	84	1,232	1,925
40,150	40,200	0	0	901	1,595	0	715	2,064	2,757	44,150	44,200	0	0	59	752	0	76	1,221	1,915
40,200	40,250	0	0	891	1,584	0	707	2,053	2,747	44,200	44,250	0	0	48	742	0	68	1,211	1,904
40,250	40,300	0	0	880	1,574	0	699	2,043	2,736	44,250	44,300	0	0	38	731	0	60	1,200	1,894
40,300	40,350	0	0	870	1,563	0	691	2,032	2,726	44,300	44,350	0	0	27	721	0	52	1,190	1,883
40,350	40,400	0	0	859	1,552	0	683	2,022	2,715	44,350	44,400	0	0	17	710	0	44	1,179	1,873
40,400	40,450	0	0	848	1,542	0	675	2,011	2,704	44,400	44,450	0	0	6	700	0	36	1,169	1,862
40,450	40,500	0	0	838	1,531	0	667	2,000	2,694	44,450	44,500	0	0	0	689	0	28	1,158	1,852
40,500	40,550	0	0	827	1,521	0	659	1,990	2,683	44,500	44,550	0	0	0	679	0	20	1,148	1,841
40,550	40,600	0	0	817	1,510	0	651	1,979	2,673	44,550	44,600	0	0	0	668	0	12	1,137	1,830
40,600	40,650	0	0	806	1,500	0	643	1,969	2,662	44,600	44,650	0	0	0	657	0	4	1,126	1,820
40,650	40,700	0	0	796	1,489	0	635	1,958	2,652	44,650	44,700	0	0	0	647	0	0	1,116	1,809
40,700	40,750	0	0	785	1,479	0	627	1,948	2,641	44,700	44,750	0	0	0	636	0	0	1,105	1,799
40,750	40,800	0	0	775	1,468	0	619	1,937	2,631	44,750	44,800	0	0	0	626	0	0	1,095	1,788
40,800	40,850	0	0	764	1,458	0	611	1,927	2,620	44,800	44,850	0	0	0	615	0	0	1,084	1,778
40,850	40,900	0	0	754	1,447	0	603	1,916	2,610	44,850	44,900	0	0	0	604	0	0	1,074	1,767
40,900	40,950	0	0	743	1,437	0	595	1,906	2,599	44,900	44,950	0	0	0	594	0	0	1,063	1,757
40,950	41,000	0	0	733	1,426	0	587	1,895	2,589	44,950	45,000	0	0	0	584	0	0	1,053	1,746
41,000	41,050	0	0	722	1,416	0	579	1,885	2,578	45,000	45,050	0	0	0	573	0	0	1,042	1,736
41,050	41,100	0	0	712	1,405	0	571	1,874	2,568	45,050	45,100	0	0	0	563	0	0	1,032	1,725
41,100	41,150	0	0	701	1,395	0	563	1,864	2,557	45,100	45,150	0	0	0	552	0	0	1,021	1,715
41,150	41,200	0	0	691	1,384	0	556	1,853	2,547	45,150	45,200	0	0	0	542	0	0	1,011	1,704
41,200	41,250	0	0	680	1,373	0	548	1,842	2,536	45,200	45,250	0	0	0	531	0	0	1,000	1,694
41,250	41,300	0	0	669	1,363	0	540	1,832	2,525	45,250	45,300	0	0	0	521	0	0	990	1,683
41,300	41,350	0	0	659	1,352	0	532	1,821	2,515	45,300	45,350	0	0	0	510	0	0	979	1,673
41,350	41,400	0	0	648	1,342	0	524	1,811	2,504	45,350	45,400	0	0	0	499	0	0	969	1,662
41,400	41,450	0	0	638	1,331	0	516	1,800	2,494	45,400	45,450	0	0	0	489	0	0	958	1,651
41,450	41,500	0	0	627	1,321	0	508	1,790	2,483	45,450	45,500	0	0	0	478	0	0	947	1,641
41,500	41,550	0	0	617	1,310	0	500	1,779	2,473	45,500	45,550	0	0	0	468	0	0	937	1,630
41,550	41,600	0	0	606	1,300	0	492	1,769	2,462	45,550	45,600	0	0	0	457	0	0	926	1,620
41,600	41,650	0	0	596	1,289	0	484	1,758	2,452	45,600	45,650	0	0	0	447	0	0	916	1,609
41,650	41,700	0	0	585	1,279	0	476	1,748	2,441	45,650	45,700	0	0	0	436	0	0	905	1,599
41,700	41,750	0	0	575	1,268	0	468	1,737	2,431	45,700	45,750	0	0	0	426	0	0	895	1,588
41,750	41,800	0	0	564	1,258	0	460	1,727	2,420	45									

Earned Income Credit (EIC) Table - *Continued*

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If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—								If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is—		And your filing status is—							
		Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—						Single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) and you have—				Married filing jointly and you have—			
		0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3			0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—				At least	But less than	Your credit is—				Your credit is—			
46,400	46,450	0	0	0	278	0	0	747	1,441	50,000	50,050	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	683
46,450	46,500	0	0	0	268	0	0	737	1,430	50,050	50,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	672
46,500	46,550	0	0	0	257	0	0	726	1,420	50,100	50,150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	662
46,550	46,600	0	0	0	247	0	0	716	1,409	50,150	50,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	651
46,600	46,650	0	0	0	236	0	0	705	1,399	50,200	50,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	641
46,650	46,700	0	0	0	226	0	0	695	1,388	50,250	50,300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	630
46,700	46,750	0	0	0	215	0	0	684	1,378	50,300	50,350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	620
46,750	46,800	0	0	0	205	0	0	674	1,367	50,350	50,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	609
46,800	46,850	0	0	0	194	0	0	663	1,357	50,400	50,450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	598
46,850	46,900	0	0	0	184	0	0	653	1,346	50,450	50,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	588
46,900	46,950	0	0	0	173	0	0	642	1,336	50,500	50,550	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	577
46,950	47,000	0	0	0	163	0	0	632	1,325	50,550	50,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	567
47,000	47,050	0	0	0	152	0	0	621	1,315	50,600	50,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	556
47,050	47,100	0	0	0	141	0	0	610	1,304	50,650	50,700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	546
47,100	47,150	0	0	0	131	0	0	600	1,293	50,700	50,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	535
47,150	47,200	0	0	0	120	0	0	589	1,283	50,750	50,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	525
47,200	47,250	0	0	0	110	0	0	579	1,272	50,800	50,850	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	514
47,250	47,300	0	0	0	99	0	0	568	1,262	50,850	50,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	504
47,300	47,350	0	0	0	89	0	0	558	1,251	50,900	50,950	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	493
47,350	47,400	0	0	0	78	0	0	547	1,241	50,950	51,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	483
47,400	47,450	0	0	0	68	0	0	537	1,230	51,000	51,050	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	472
47,450	47,500	0	0	0	57	0	0	526	1,220	51,050	51,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	462
47,500	47,550	0	0	0	47	0	0	516	1,209	51,100	51,150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	451
47,550	47,600	0	0	0	36	0	0	505	1,199	51,150	51,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	441
47,600	47,650	0	0	0	26	0	0	495	1,188	51,200	51,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	430
47,650	47,700	0	0	0	15	0	0	484	1,178	51,250	51,300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	419
47,700	47,750	0	0	0	*	0	0	474	1,167	51,300	51,350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	409
47,750	47,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	463	1,157	51,350	51,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	398
47,800	47,850	0	0	0	0	0	0	453	1,146	51,400	51,450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	388
47,850	47,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	442	1,136	51,450	51,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	377
47,900	47,950	0	0	0	0	0	0	431	1,125	51,500	51,550	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	367
47,950	48,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	421	1,114	51,550	51,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	356
48,000	48,050	0	0	0	0	0	0	410	1,104	51,600	51,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	346
48,050	48,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	1,093	51,650	51,700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	335
48,100	48,150	0	0	0	0	0	0	389	1,083	51,700	51,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	325
48,150	48,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	379	1,072	51,750	51,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	314
48,200	48,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	368	1,062	51,800	51,850	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	304
48,250	48,300	0	0	0	0	0	0	358	1,051	51,850	51,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	293
48,300	48,350	0	0	0	0	0	0	347	1,041	51,900	51,950	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	283
48,350	48,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	337	1,030	51,950	52,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	272
48,400	48,450	0	0	0	0	0	0	326	1,020	52,000	52,050	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	262
48,450	48,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	316	1,009	52,050	52,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	251
48,500	48,550	0	0	0	0	0	0	305	999	52,100	52,150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	240
48,550	48,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	295	988	52,150	52,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
48,600	48,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	284	978	52,200	52,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	219
48,650	48,700	0	0	0	0	0	0	274	967	52,250	52,300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	209
48,700	48,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	263	956	52,300	52,350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	198
48,750	48,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	252	946	52,350	52,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	188
48,800	48,850	0	0	0	0	0	0	242	935	52,400	52,450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	177
48,850	48,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	231	925	52,450	52,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	167
48,900	48,950	0	0	0	0	0	0	221	914	52,500	52,550	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	156
48,950	49,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	210	904	52,550	52,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146
49,000	49,050	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	893	52,600	52,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135
49,050	49,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	189	883	52,650	52,700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125
49,100	49,150	0	0	0	0	0	0	179	872	52,700	52,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	114
49,150	49,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	168	862	52,750	52,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104
49,200	49,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	158	851	52,800	52,850	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	93
49,250	49,300	0	0	0	0	0	0	147	841	52,850	52,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83
49,300	49,350	0	0	0	0	0	0	137	830	52,900	52,950	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
49,350	49,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	126	820	52,950	53,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61
49,400	49,450	0	0	0	0	0	0	116	809	53,000	53,050	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51
49,450	49,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	799	53,050	53,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
49,500	49,550	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	788	53,100	53,150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
49,550	49,600	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	777	53,150	53,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
49,600	49,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	767	53,200	53,250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
49,650	49,700	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	756	53,250	53,267	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
49,700	49,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	746										
49,750	49,800	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	735										
49,800	49,850	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	725										
49,850	49,900	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	714										
49,900	49,950	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	704										
49,950	50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	**	693										

* If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is at least \$47,700 but less than \$47,747, and you have three qualifying children, your credit is \$5. If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is \$47,747 or more, and you have three qualifying children, you can't take the credit.

** If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is at least \$49,950 but less than \$49,974, and you have two qualifying children, your credit is \$2. If the amount you are looking up from the worksheet is \$49,974 or more, and you have two qualifying children, you can't take the credit.

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